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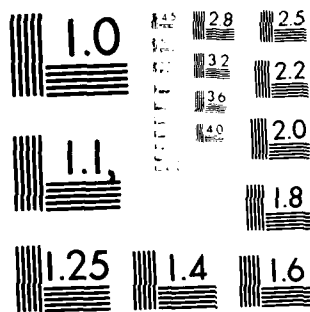
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## INTRODUCTION

This research effort was directed toward a general synthesis which embraced the preparation of substances possessing multi-site inhibitory activity. It was reasoned that such species would be more effective and less likely to result in parasitic resistance. Moreover, in an attempt to minimize possible random inhibitory actions, the molecular design incorporated structural features of well studied malarial drugs.

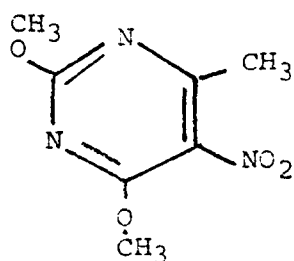
The focal point of attack for <sup>drug</sup> design in the present investigation was to exploit the known differences of folic acid metabolism in man and the malarial parasite. It was therefore desirable to prepare target compounds in three series of nitrogen heterocycles which (a) retained antifol structural features and (b) incorporated other antimalarial moieties. The three series included are (1) tetraazanaphthalenes, (2) 1,3,5-triazanaphthalenes, and (3) 9-deazapurines.

### Antimalarial Screening Results

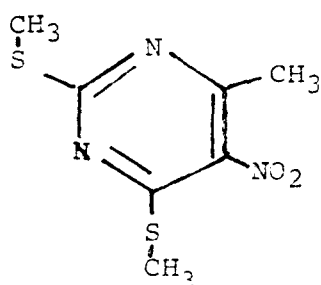
Fourteen (14) samples all of which were intermediates submitted under the contract for screening in mice. These samples represents three (3) types as indicated in Table I. Results from screening indicates that Type I exhibits no apparent antimalarial properties. Type II substances gave indications of some slight though not significant activity. Results from screening of Type III test samples were negative.

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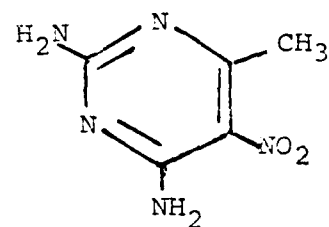
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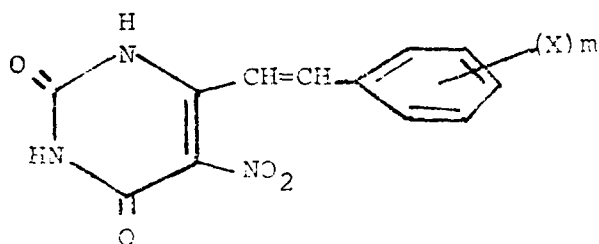


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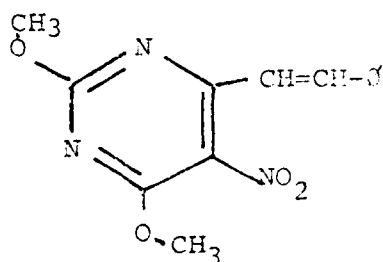
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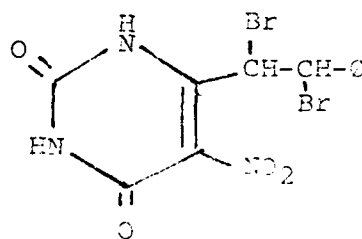
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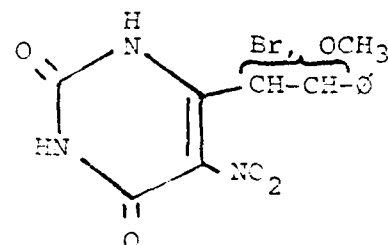
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N-28	BD23716	2-F/1
N-39	BD23725	2-Cl/1



N-76 BD23743

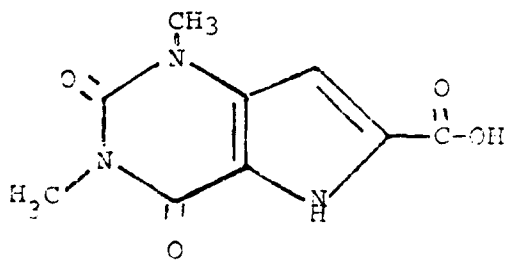


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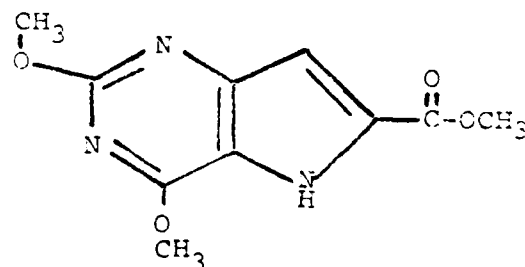


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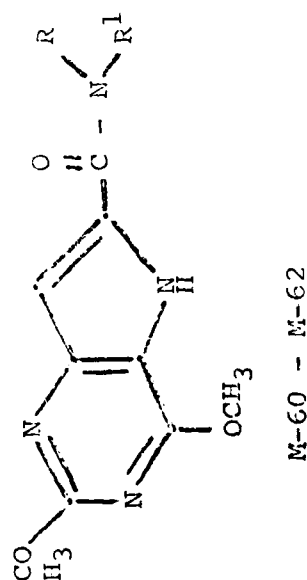
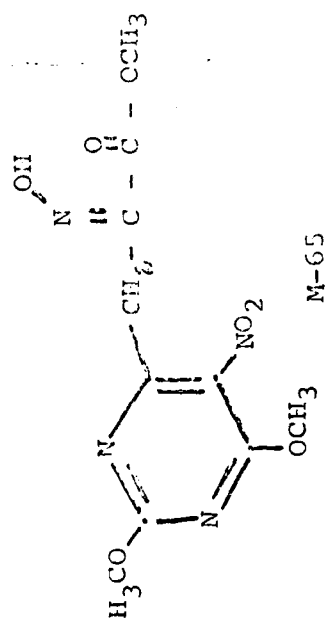
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TABLE IB

COMPOUNDS SUBMITTED FOR TESTING

	R		R <sup>1</sup>
M-60	H		$\text{H} \diagup \text{C} = \text{CH} - \text{CH}_2$ $\text{H} \diagdown$
M-61	H		$\text{CH}_3(\text{CH}_2)_2-$
M-62	$\text{HO} - \text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2-$		$\text{HO} - \text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2-$

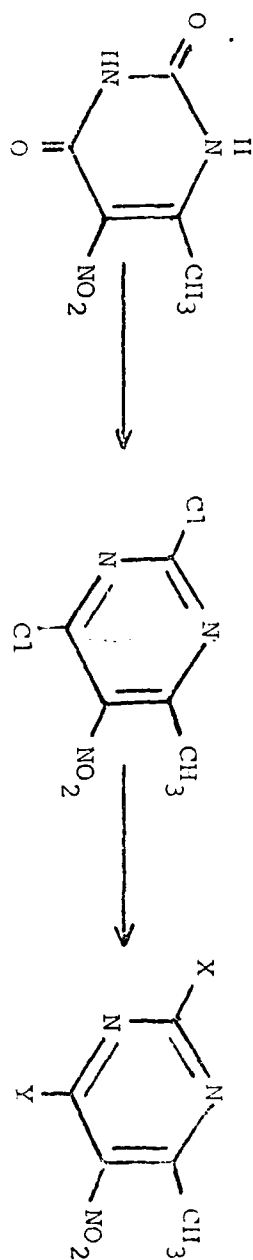


## NARRATIVE SUMMARY

Reaction Schemes I and II outlines the progress toward the synthesis of the tetraazanaphthalenes. The initial step involved the condensation of 6-methyluracil (I) with aryl aldehydes in pyridine to give the corresponding 1-(5-nitro-6-uracilyl)-2-arylethene (N-13, AR =  $\emptyset$ ). The general application of this reaction permitted the preparation of a number of such derivatives with various substituted aryls. Table II summarizes the physical data collected for the ethenes containing the following aryls: 3-chlorophenyl (L-136), 2,6-dichlorophenyl (N-27), 3,4-dichlorophenyl (N-27), 2-fluorophenyl (N-28), 3-fluorophenyl (N-16) and 4-fluorophenyl (N-26).

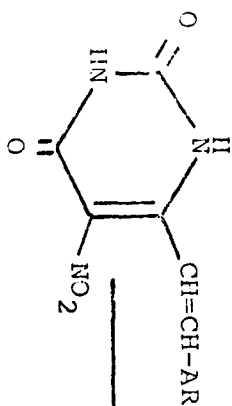
Two routes were explored for the synthesis of the 1-(5-amino-6-uracilyl)-2-arylethynes which are key intermediates in the preparation of tetraazanaphthalenes. The more attractive route led to the bromination of N-13 (AR =  $\emptyset$ ) in methanol to give the 1 or 2-bromo-1 or 2-methoxy-1-(5-nitro-6-uracilyl)-2-aryl ethane (N-67). This product was treated with alcoholic potassium hydroxide and gave the corresponding ethyne (N-19). The low percentage yield of N-19 led to efforts to prepare the 1,2-dibromo derivative for subsequent dehydrohalogenation to N-19.

Reaction Scheme I



	III	
I-120:	X,	Y = SCH <sub>3</sub>
I-124:	X,	Y = NH <sub>2</sub>
I-13:	X,	Y = OCH <sub>3</sub>

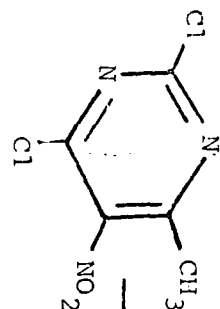
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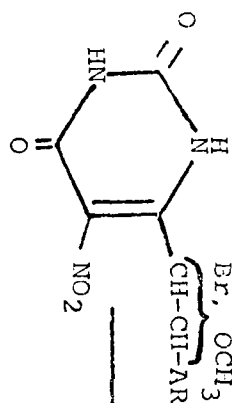
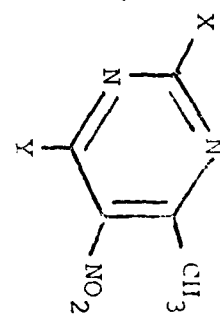
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(AR = Ø)

N-44  
(AR = Ø)

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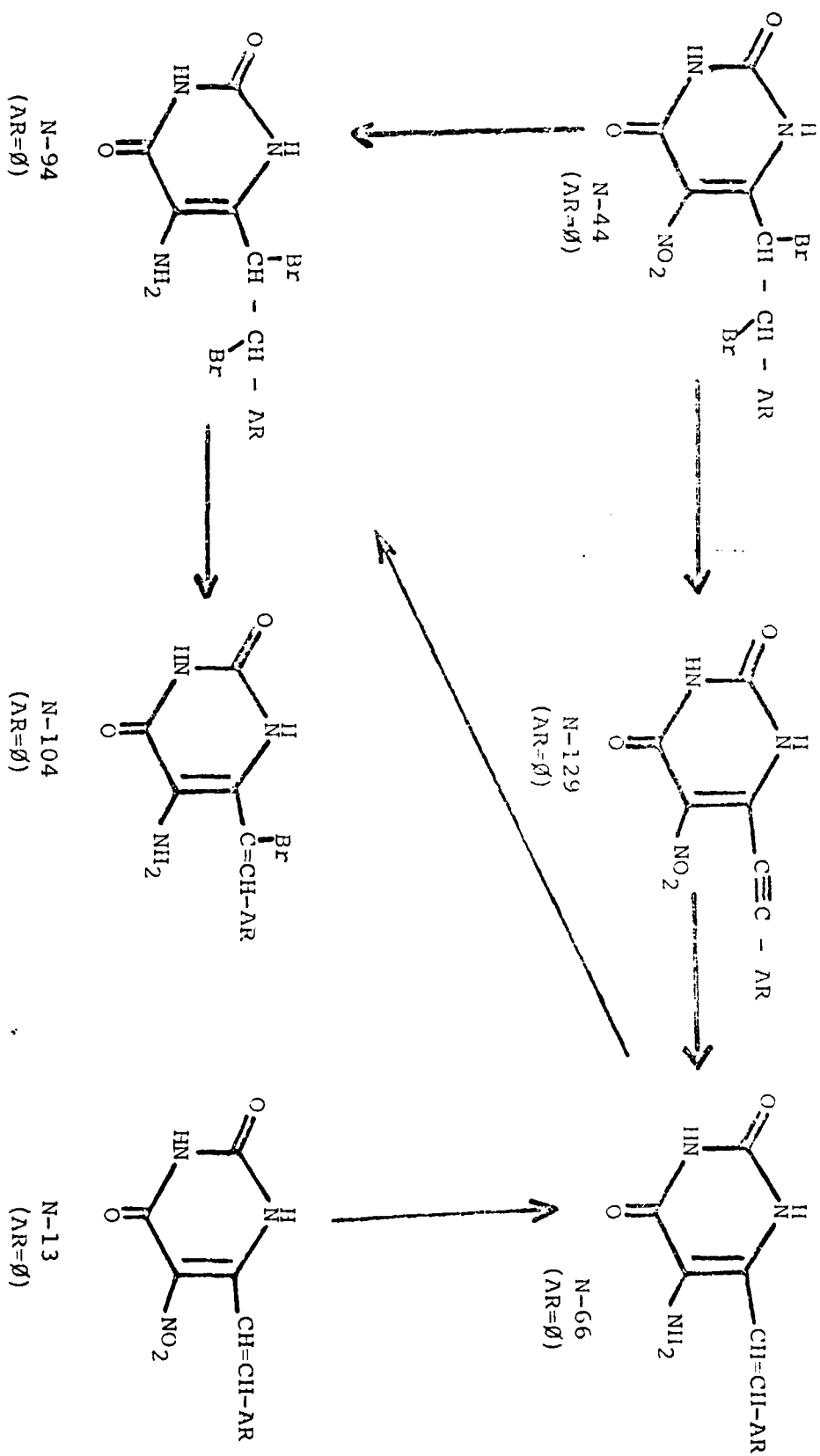
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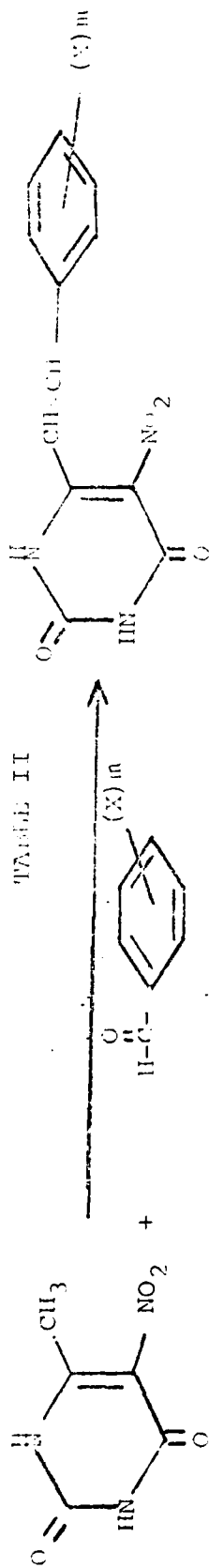


N-67  
(AR = Ø)

N-129  
N-19  
(AR = Ø)

Reaction Scheme II





Book No.	X/m	Calculated	Found	N	U.V. $\lambda_{max}$ pH 11	Yield %	R <sub>f</sub> Acid Base	M.P.
N-30 C <sub>12</sub> H <sub>8</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub> Cl	2-Cl/1	C 49.02 H 2.73 N 14.25	C 49.01 H 2.94 N 14.06		286 287	80	.01 .13	262-265°
N-136 C <sub>12</sub> H <sub>8</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub> Cl	3-Cl/1	C 47.35 H 2.95 N 13.09	C 47.81 H 2.92 N 13.98		299 268	88	.90 .86	263-265°
N-13 C <sub>12</sub> H <sub>8</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub> F	Null	C 55.50 H 3.47 N 16.21	C 55.73 H 3.26 N 16.33		287 331	75	.72 .47	262-265°
N-16 C <sub>12</sub> H <sub>8</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub> F	3-F/1	C 51.90 H 2.8 N 15.1			322 285	80	.90 .83	312-314°
N-26 C <sub>12</sub> H <sub>8</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub> F	4-F/1	C 50.25 H 3.12 N 14.70	C 50.19 H 3.08 N 14.43		285 325	63	.80 .90	314-316°
N-27A C <sub>12</sub> H <sub>7</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	2,6-Cl/2	C 39.50 H 3.02 N 11.49	C 39.45 H 2.38 N 11.52		280 280	76	.80 .86	258-260°
N-28 C <sub>12</sub> H <sub>8</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub> F	2-F/1	C 52.00 H 2.89 N 15.15	C 51.71 H 3.09 N 15.09		282 282	78	.80 .86	308-310°
N-29 C <sub>12</sub> H <sub>7</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	3,4-Cl/2				331 285	89	.81 .87	320-322°

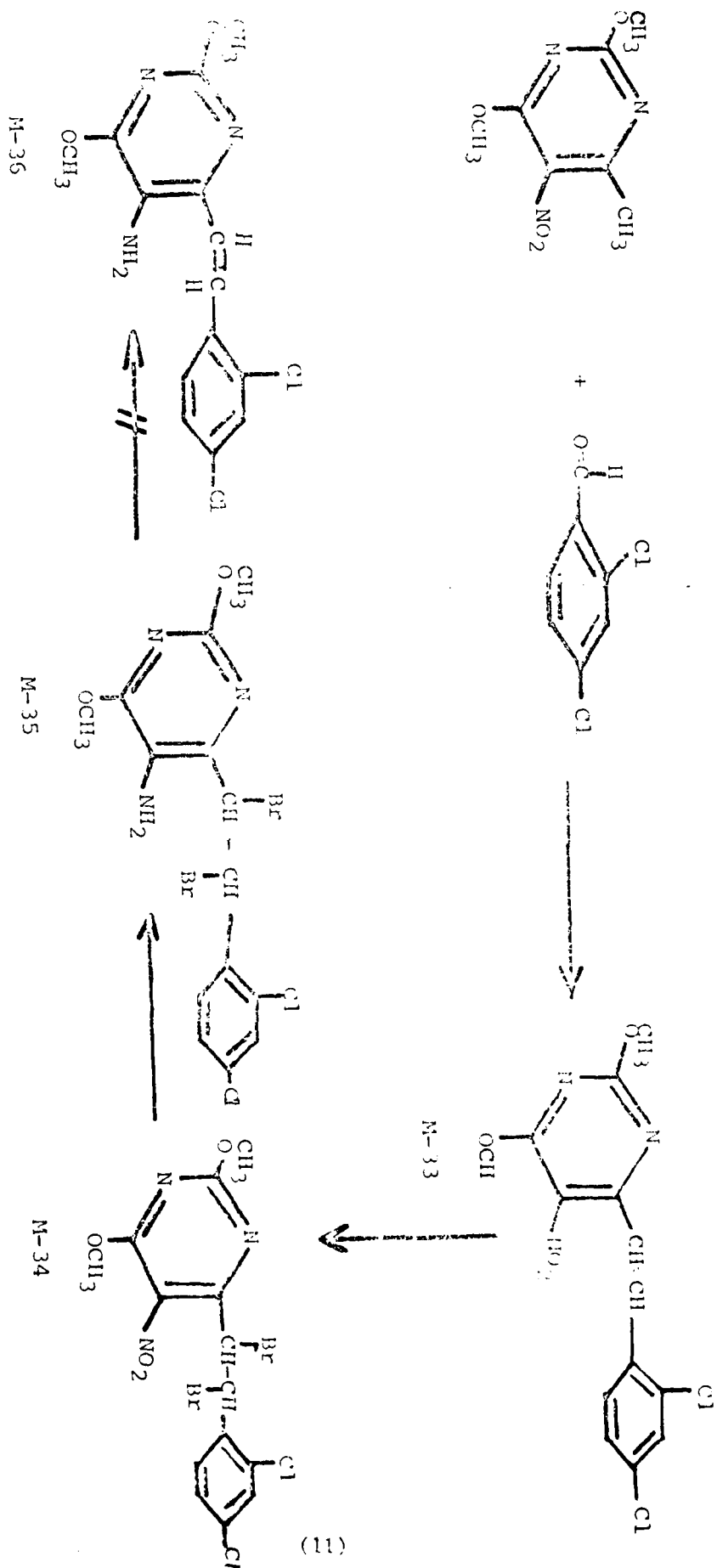
5-Nitro-6-styryluracil (N-13) was brominated in acetic acid to give 1,2-dibromo-1-(5-nitro-6-uracilyl)-2-phenylethane (N-44). When N-44 was treated in refluxing 5% alcoholic potassium hydroxide, the corresponding ethyne (N-129) was isolated. This product (N-129) was identical to N-19 which was prepared by the action of alcoholic potassium hydroxide on 1 or 2-bromo-1 or 2-methoxy-1-(5-nitro-6-uracilyl)-2-phenylethane. With this structure firmly established efforts were undertaken to selectively reduce the nitro group in the presence of the ethyne group. A variety of reducing agents were used including Raney nickel (N-96), sodium hydrosulfite (K-236) and sodium sulfide (K-237). In no instance was there an indication of the retention of a triple bond as judged by careful examination of infrared spectral data of all solid fractions. The mildest procedure (K-237) gave a product identical to 5-amino-6-styryluracil (N-66).

An obvious alternative in view of the above described problem was to synthesize a derivative which did not require reduction subsequent to the formation of the triple bond. Consequently, 1,2,-dibromo-1-(5-amino-6-uracilyl)-2-phenylethane (N-94) was prepared from N-66 by bromination in acetic acid. Reduction of N-44 was also achieved by reaction in the presence of Raney Nickel catalyst (N-85), however, the low solubility of N-44 in methanol resulted in a considerable amount of

unreacted material which was difficult to separate. When N-94 was treated with alcoholic potassium hydroxide a product was isolated that contained a halogen and exhibited an ultra violet spectra similar to 5-amino-6-styryl uracil. Moreover, no evidence of a triple bond was present. This evidence suggested that the 5-amino group deactivates carbon-1 toward dehydrohalogenation. Reaction scheme III outlines a route which should minimize this effect in much the same manner as observed in the fascile condensation of 2,4-dimethoxy-5-nitro-6-methylpyrimidine (I-13) and diethyl oxalate but not with 5-nitro-6-methyluracil. The condensation of I-13 with aryl aldehydes proceeded readily in sodium methoxide to give the expected 1-(2,4-dimethoxy-5-nitro-6-pyrimidyl-2-arylethene (N-76, AR = phenyl; M-33, AR = 2,4-dichlorophenyl). Bromination of M-33 gave the expected dibromoethane (M-34) which was reduced in the presence of Raney Nickel to give the corresponding 5-amino derivative (M-35). Treatment of M-35 with alcoholic potassium hydroxide apparently gave a 1-bromoethene derivative (M-36) rather than the expected ethyne.

The original synthetic approach suggested that 2,6-dimethylthio-5-nitro-6-methylpyrimidine (L-120) be employed as a major intermediate in the preparation of 9-deazapurines. The inability to perfect condensation of the dimethylthio derivative (L-120) with diethyl oxalate led to the selection and preparation of 2,6-dimethoxy-5-nitro-methylpyrimidine (I-13). Condensation of I-13 with diethyl oxalate in the presence of sodium methoxide gave the expected product (I-27) except that the ester alkyl group underwent an exchange reaction in the presence of excess sodium methoxide. The preparation of the desired 9-deazapurine (I-38)

Reaction Scheme III



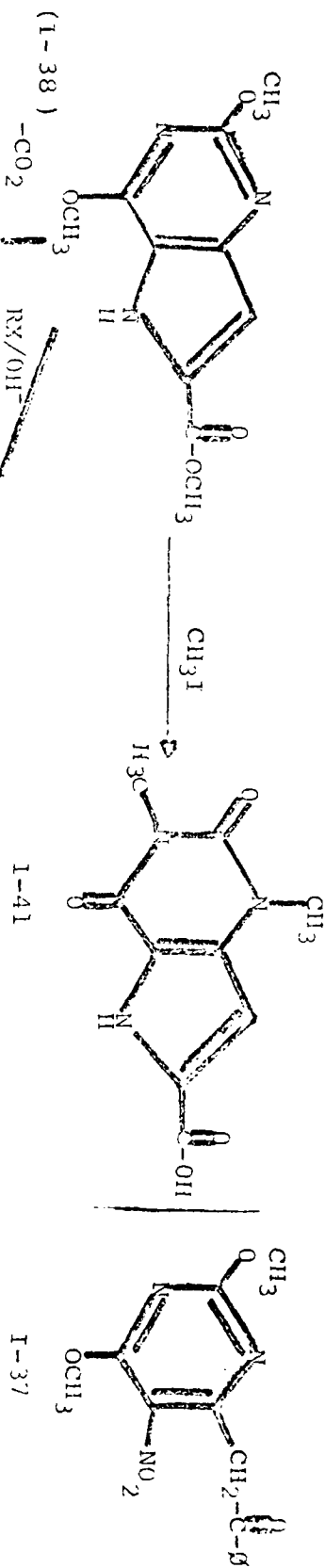


Reaction Scheme IV



I-69

I-76



(1-38)

I-41

I-37



I-74 R (CH<sub>3</sub>)

I-72 (R (allyl))

I-71 (R, benzyl)

I-77

resulted from zinc-acetic acid reduction of VIII.

The alkylation of 2,6-dimethoxy-8-methoxycarbonyl-9-deazapurine (I-38) in dimethyl formamide was performed with methyl iodine (I-41) and *p*-chlorotoluene (M-26) to give products which indicates facile alkylation. In addition to alkylation, the methoxy groups were apparently cleaved to give the corresponding 8-carboxyl-9-deazaxanthine. The ease of cleavage of the methoxy groups (I-38) was studied further. It was observed that the cleavage was complete within two hours in aqueous hydrochloric acid (refluxing) and within 18 hours in hydroiodic acid at room temperature. In each case 8-carboxyl-9-deazaxanthine (I-40) was isolated. This product (I-40) was confirmed by synthesis from the reduction of 3-(5-nitro-uracilyl)-pyruvic acid (I-39). The latter product (I-39) was obtained as a result of acid hydrolysis (aq. HCl) of 2,4-dimethoxy-5-nitro-6-methoxyallylmethyluracil (M-14-B).

The study of the alkylation of the 9-deazapurines in basic media (aqueous) has led to the isolation of selected 2,6-dimethoxy-7-alkyl-8-methoxy carbonyl-9-deazapurine (I-71, I-72, I-74). It was of interest to compare the alkylation products which resulted from reaction in dimethylformamide (DMF) and in basic media. It was previously noted that evidence suggested that methoxy cleavage occurred in DMF along with alkylation. Whereas in the latter media, simple alkylation occurred as expected along with hydrolysis of the ester group and decarboxylation.

Conditions favorable to the formation of proposed target compounds were developed. (See Reaction Scheme V ). When I-38 was treated with the appropriate alkyl or aryl halide in the pre-

sence of potassium carbonate suspended in dimethyl-acetamide (DMAC), the corresponding 7-alkyl or 7-aryl derivative was isolated (i.e. 2-fluoro (I-93), and 4-fluoro (M-29) benzyl, and 3-chloro (M-30) and 2,6-dichlorobenzyl). A similar procedure provided 2,6-dimethoxy-7-glycidolyl-8-methoxycarbonyl-9-deazapurine.

The reaction of ammonia with I-38 under vigorous conditions gave 2,6-diamino-9-deazapurine-8-carboxamide (I-77). Under similar conditions, 3-(2,6-diamino-5-nitro-6-pyrimidyl) pyruvamide (I-76) was obtained from methyl 3-(2,6-dimethoxy-5-nitropyrimidyl) pyruvate (I-69) (Reaction Scheme VI).

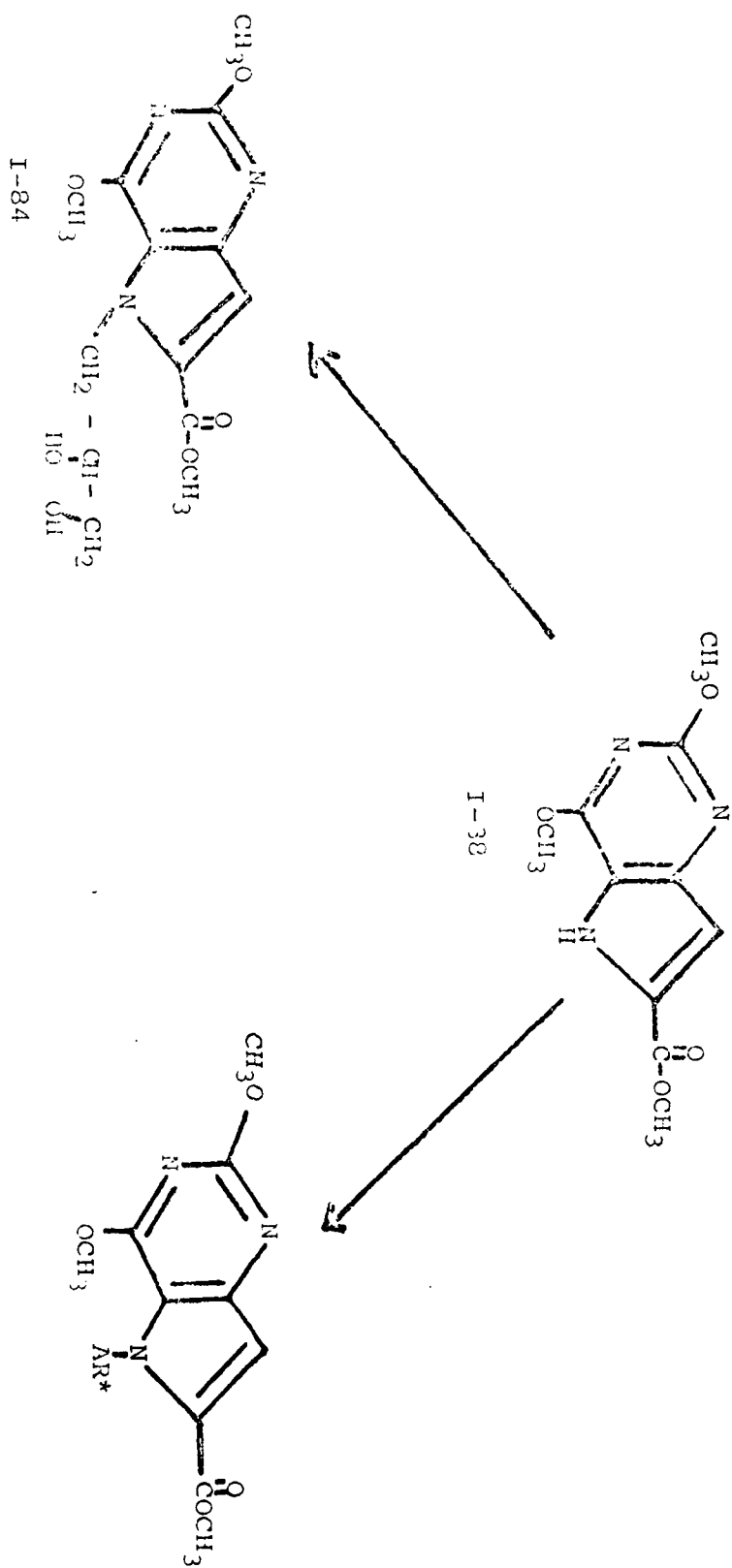
A key intermediate in the synthesis of some 8-aryl-9-deazapurine was also isolated. The condensation of 2, 6-dimethoxy 5-nitro-6-methyl-pyrimidine with methyl benzoate in sodium methoxide gave ~~a~~-(2, 4-dimethoxy-5-nitro-6-pyrimidyl) acetophenone (I-37).

Reaction Scheme IV outlines the route to several intermediates of interest in the preparation of proposed target compounds. 2,6-Dimethoxy-5-nitro-6-methylpyrimidine (I-13) was readily condensed with ethyl cyanoacetate to give the expected condensate (I-86). This intermediate was required for the preparation of some 8-substitued-9-deazapurines.

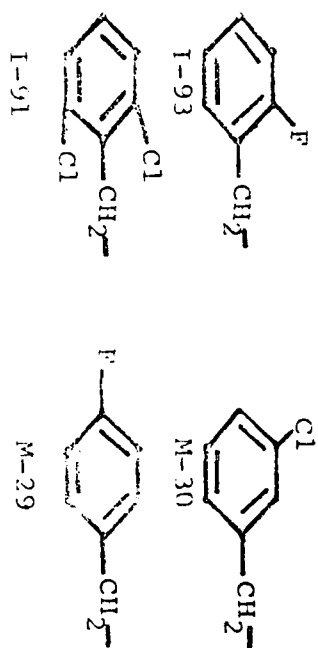
Requisite amide intermediates (I-85) for the preparation of some 8-alkyl carboxamide could best be prepared from I-27 by the reaction of amines in refluxing methanol (Reaction Scheme V).

Certain 9-aryl-9-deazapurines suggested further synthesis. For example, the isolation of I-27 as a sodium salt suggested the possibility of C-alkylation. Indeed, when 2-fluorobenzylchloride and the I-27 (sodium salt) in methanol were heated under gentle reflux the corresponding 2-fluorobenzyl derivative (I-95) was isolated.

Reaction Scheme V



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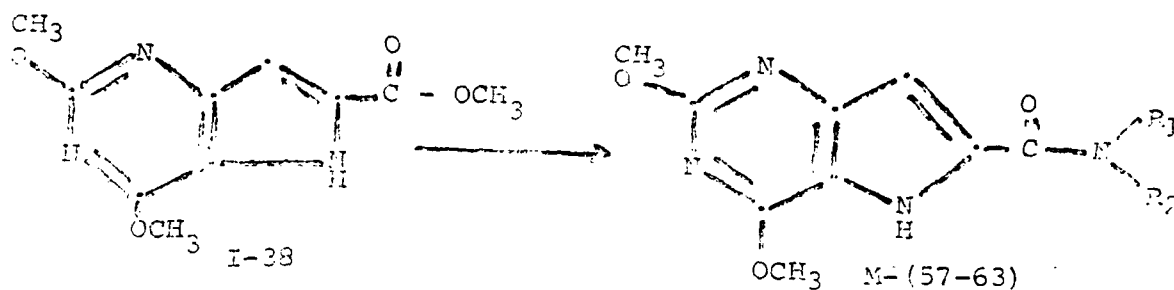
The success of this reaction permitted the synthesis of various-9-aryl or alkyl-9-deazapurines.

The preparation of several carboxamides of 9-deazapurine was accomplished in reasonable yields. The Reaction proceeds under mild reflux temperature with 2,6-dimethoxy-8-methoxycarbonyl-9-deazapurine (I-38) in methanol containing the appropriate amine. Reaction Scheme I provides a tabular listing of the various amine substituents including examples where  $R_2 = H$  and  $R_1 =$  benzyl-(M-57), allyl-(M-62) and adamantanyl (M-63).

Efforts were directed toward the synthesis of some 1,3,5-triazanaphthalenes (See Reaction Scheme VII ). Ethyl-(2,4-dimethoxy-5-nitro-6-pyrimidyl) pyruvate (I-27) reacts with hydroxylamine to give the corresponding oxime (M-65). The oxime (M-65) was readily reduced with Raney nickel. Chromatograph analysis of the isolated product indicated two products (M-66A and M-66B). Mass spectral studies and NMR analysis of the mixture indicated strong evidence for the structure assigned to M-66B. Indeed when the mixture of M-66A and M-66B was heated in methanol, the latter product increased in concentration. Further purification of M-66B is being undertaken since the possibility exist for a facile synthesis of the tetrahydra-1,3,5-triazanaphthalene.

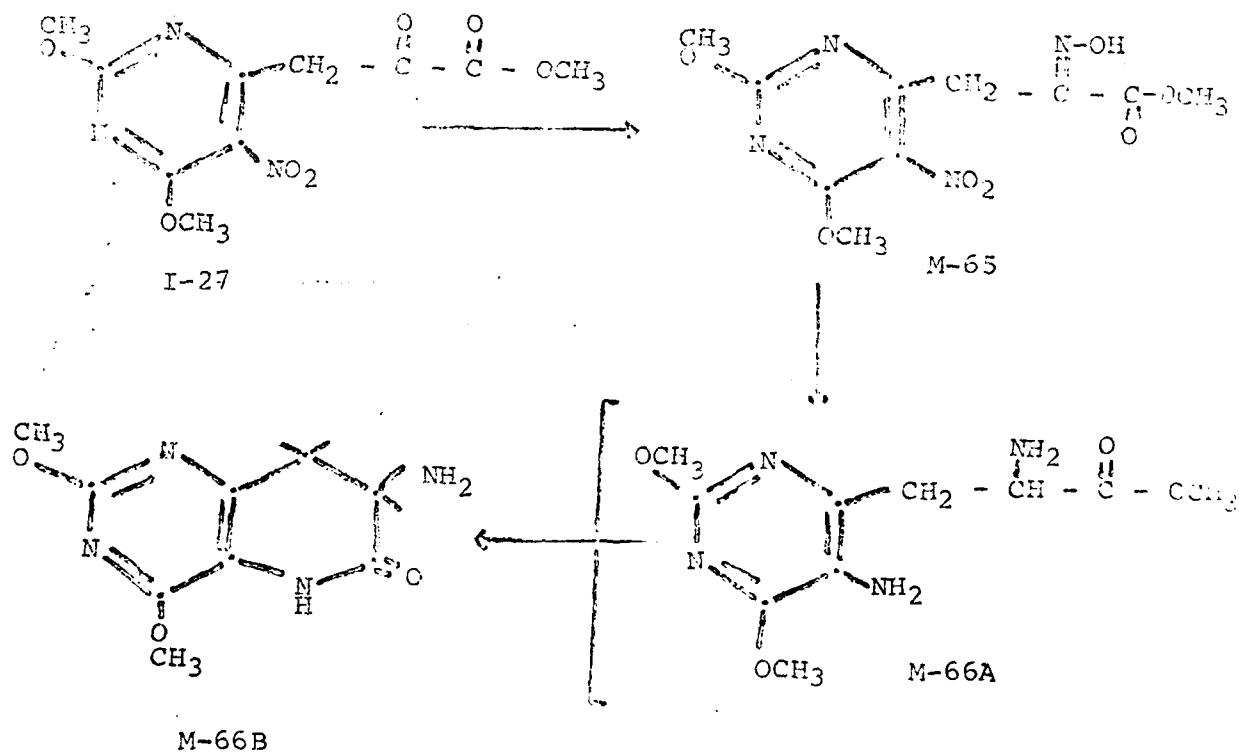
Reaction Scheme IX outlines two routes which were investigated for the synthesis of 6,7-disubstituted-1,3,5-triazanaphthalenes. An excellent yield of 2,4-dimethoxy-5-amino-6-methylpyrimidine (AA-26) was obtained when the corresponding 5-nitro derivative (I-27) was treated with aqueous hydrazine. The reaction of AA-26 with benzil ( $R = \emptyset$ ) and biactyl ( $R = CH_3$ ) in refluxing methanol gave the schiff base which was subsequently refluxed in sodium methoxide to give a product tentatively identified as the target compound ( $R = \emptyset$ , M-71).

Reaction Scheme VI



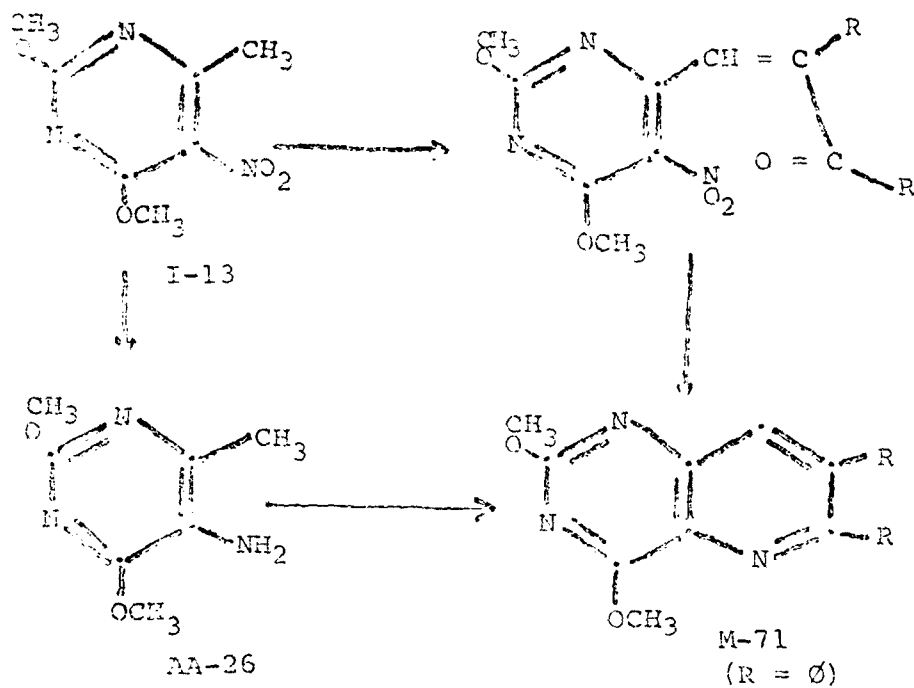
	R <sub>1</sub>	R <sub>2</sub>	R <sub>1</sub>	R <sub>2</sub>
M-61	CH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub>	H	-CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> -Cl	-CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> -Cl
M-58	CH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub>	CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub>	CH <sub>2</sub> -	H
M-59	CH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub>	H	CH <sub>2</sub> =CH-CH <sub>2</sub> -	H
M-63	1-adamantanyl	H	HOCH <sub>2</sub> -CH <sub>2</sub> -	HO-CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> -

Reaction Scheme VII

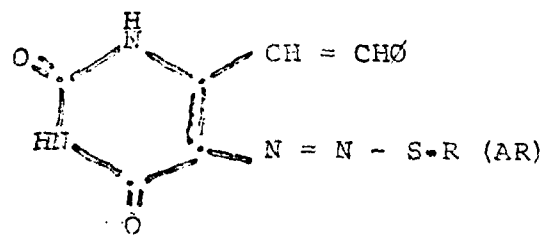
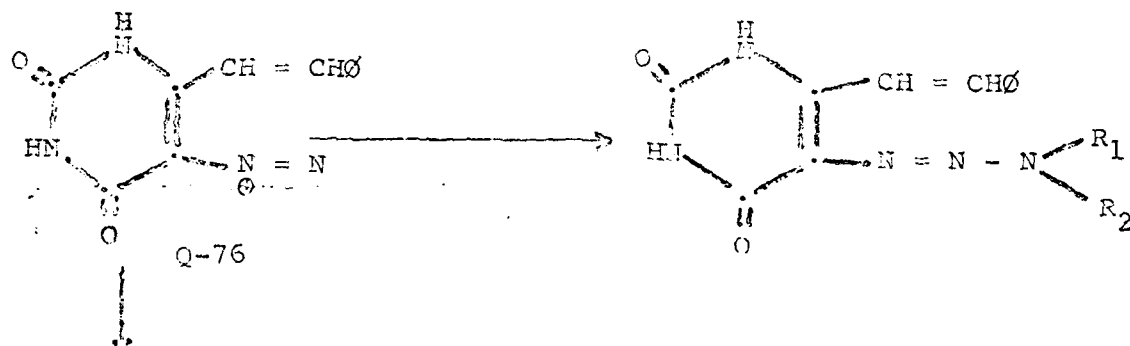


The apparent sensitivity of the triple bond in certain 1-(5-nitro-6-uracilyl)-2-aryl ethynes resulted in only modest quantities of the requisite 5-amino derivative. Thus, efforts were discouraged to pursue the synthesis of the tetraazanaphthalenes. However, several interesting intermediates were isolated and it was desirable to probe their usefulness as antimalarial types. In this respect, the preparation of several 5-triazinopyrimidines were undertaken (See Reaction Scheme X). The coupling reaction proceeded readily by stirring at room temperature 1-(5-diazo-6-uracilyl)-2-phenylethene (Q-76) and the appropriate amine. Likewise, when Q-76 was allowed to stir in a methanol solution containing an appropriate mercaptan, the corresponding thiadiazene was isolated.

Reaction Scheme VII



Reaction Scheme X



BK#1 (R (AR))

Q-77  $\emptyset-$   
J-123  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2-$

BK#	R <sub>1</sub>	R <sub>2</sub>
Q-81	$-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$	$-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$
Q-79	$-(\text{CH}_2)_3\text{CH}_3$	$-(\text{CH}_2)_3\text{CH}_3$
Q-78	H	$(\text{CH}_2)_3\text{CH}_3$
Q-84	$-(\text{CH}_2)_2\text{Cl}$	$-(\text{CH}_2)_2\text{Cl}$
Q-80	H	$\emptyset - \text{CH}_2-$
Q-82	H	$-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$
Q-83	H	$-(\text{CH}_2)_5\text{CH}_3$



## EXPERIMENTAL

### The Preparation of 2,4-Dimercapto-5-Nitro-6-Methylpyrimidine (L-199).

Thiourea (7.5 g) was added to 200 ml of methanol while stirring at room temperature. 2,4-Dichloro-5-nitro-6-methylpyrimidine (5.0 g) was then added to the solution which was then refluxed for 2.5 hours, and finally evaporated to dryness. Water (50 ml) was added to the residue, and the product was then filtered and dried to air. The product was crystallized from methanol to give an orange solid, m.p. 200-202 which was homogeneous in two chromatographic solvent systems.

### The Preparation of 2,4-Dimethylmercapto-5-Nitro-6-Methylpyrimidine (L-120).

2,4-Dimercapto-5-nitro-6-methylpyrimidine (5 g) was added to 150 ml of 5% sodium bicarbonate while stirring at room temperature. Methyl iodide (10 g) was added, and the mixture was stirred for 2.5 hours. The precipitate which formed was filtered and washed with 50 ml of H<sub>2</sub>O. Recrystallization of the product from methanol gave reddish needles, m.p. 47-48°,  $\lambda_{\text{Max}}$  pH 1.7 285; pH 11 289 n.m.. Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>9</sub>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>: C, 36.3; H, 3.8, N, 18.1. Found: C, 35.99, H, 4.6; N, 17.92.

### The Preparation of 2,4-Diamino-5-Nitro-6-Methylpyrimidine (L-124).

2,4-Dichloro-5-nitro-6-methylpyrimidine (10 g) was dissolved in 300 ml of methanol and allowed to stir at room temperature for 15 minutes. The mixture was then transferred to a 3-necked flask

equipped with a drying tube containing calcium chloride and a thermometer. Ammonia was then allowed to bubble through the reaction vessel for 1 hour at a temperature of 50° - 55°. The reaction flask was then cooled to room temperature, and the precipitate which formed was filtered and washed with H<sub>2</sub>O. Recrystallization of the product from methanol gave orange needles (m.p. 228° - 230°),  $\lambda$  Max: pH 1.7 307; pH 11 345 and 254 n.m. Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>9</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O<sub>2</sub>: C, 35.5; H, 4.1; 41.4. Found: C, 35.88; H, 5.13; N, 42.1.

The Preparation of 2,4,5-Tri-Amino-6-Methylpyrimidine (L-125).

2,4-Diamino-5-nitro-6-methylpyrimidine (5 g) was added to 80 ml of acetic acid while stirring and heating at 70-80°. Zinc (9 g) was then added to the reaction mixture which was stirred for 2 hours at 70-80°. The precipitate which formed was filtered and recrystallized from acetic acid (m.p. 223-225).

Bromination of 5-Nitro-6-Styryluracil (L-126).

Bromine (5 g) was added to 200 ml of methanol while stirring at room temperature. 5-nitro-6-styryluracil (5 g) was then added to the saturated solution and the resulting mixture was stirred for 30 minutes at room temperature. Additional bromine (10 g) was added to dissolve the 5-nitro-6-styryluracil. The reaction mixture was then stirred for an additional 30 minutes. The resulting product was filtered (by gravity) and the solution evaporated to dryness at room temperature. The residue was extracted with water and the aqueous extract basified with 5% ammonium hydroxide to pH 8. The resulting solid was filtered. The product was purified by dissolving in 50 ml of cold KOH, and neutralized at pH-7 with acetic acid (m.p. 183-185°),  $\lambda$  Max: pH 1.7 386, 273; pH

11 386 n.m. Anal. Calcd. for  $C_{13}H_{12}N_3O_5Br$ : C, 42.1; H, 3.2; N, 11.3.  
Found: C, 42.1; H, 3.1; N, 11.1.

The Preparation of 2,4-Dimethoxy-5-Nitro-6-Ethoxalmethylpyrimidine (I-30).

2,4-Dichloro-5-nitro-6-methylpyrimidine was converted in a two step process to 2,4-dimethoxy-5-nitro-6-ethoxalylmethylpyrimidine. The 2,4-dichloro-5-nitro-6-methylpyrimidine (10 g) was dissolved in 100 ml of methanol and the methanolic solution was added to a prepared solution of sodium methoxide (3 g of sodium in 100 ml of methanol). The solution was allowed to stir at room temperature for 30 minutes after which the by product sodium chloride was removed by filtration.

The product in the above solution was assumed to be the desired 2,4-dimethoxy-5-nitro-6-methylpyrimidine. To it was added while stirring at room temperature 10 g of diethyl oxylate and additional sodium methoxide (1 g of sodium in 50 ml of methanol). The solution was allowed to stir for 24 hours. The yellow solid (10 g) was filtered and washed with 300 cc of methanol and dried to air. The product gave a single spot in two solvent systems. The ultraviolet spectra was characteristic of the expected product.

The Preparation of 2,4-Dimethoxy-8-Methoxycarbonyl-9-Deazapurine (I-38).

Reduction of 2,4-dimethoxy-5-nitro-6-ethoxalylmethylpyrimidine (7.2 g) was accomplished in 70 ml of glacial acetic acid with zinc (14 g). The dimethoxy derivative (I-30) was dissolved in acetic acid at 70° while stirring. Zinc was then added carefully while at 70°-80°C. The mixture was stirred for two (2) hours without further

heating. The product was then filtered and the filtrate evaporated to dryness. The residue was azeotroped three times with 200 ml of acetone. The residue was then suspended in 100 ml of water and then the mixture was neutralized with 5%  $\text{NaHCO}_3$  to pH 7. The product was filtered and dried at  $80^\circ$  for 30 minutes in vacuo to yield 5 g of product. An analytical sample was recrystallized from acetone.  $\lambda_{\text{Max}}$ : pH 1.7 290; pH 11 296 n.m. Anal. Calcd. for  $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{11}\text{N}_3\text{O}_4$ : C, 50.5; H, 4.68; N, 17.7. Found: C, 50.98; 4.02; N, 17.48.

#### Preparation of 2,4-Dimethoxy-5-nitropyrimidine (I-13)

To methanol (50 ml) sodium was carefully added and allowed to react. To the resulting solution was added 2,4-dichloro-5-nitropyrimidine (5 g). The mixture was allowed to reflux for 1 hour. The solution was then neutralized to pH 6 with concentrated hydrochloric acid and then evaporated to dryness. The residue was suspended in hot water (50ml), filtered and then dried to air. Recrystallization was from petroleum ether to give an analytical product,  $\lambda_{\text{Max}}$ : pH 1.7 258 and pH 260 n.m. Anal. Calcd. for  $\text{C}_7\text{H}_9\text{N}_3\text{O}_4$ : C, 42.3; H, 4.5; N 21.1. Found: C, 42.5; H, 4.6; N, 21.09.

#### Reaction of 2,4-Dimethoxy-5-nitro-6-ethoxalylmethylpyrimidine with Hydrochloric Acid (I-39)

To 300 ml of concentrated hydrochloric acid was added 2,4-dimethoxy-5-nitro-6-ethoxalylmethylpyrimidine (5.3 g) and allowed to react at  $75^\circ\text{C}$  for 3 hours. A precipitate which separated from the hydrochloric acid was filtered and then washed with water (25 ml). The reaction gave 2.3 g of the product which melted between temperatures of  $190\text{--}192^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $\lambda_{\text{Max}}$ : pH 1.7, 308, 411 n.m., and pH 11, 310 and 411 n.m; IR:  $3290\text{ cm}^{-1}$ ,  $3000\text{ cm}^{-1}$ ,  $285\text{ cm}^{-1}$ ,  $1705\text{ cm}^{-1}$ ,  $1640\text{ cm}^{-1}$ ,  $1400\text{ cm}^{-1}$ , and  $790\text{ cm}^{-1}$ ; NMR: 5.5 singlet (2H) and 10.5

complex (3H);  $R_f$ : Solvent A, 0.15, and Solvent C, 0.62.

Reaction of -chlorotoluene with Methyl-5,7-dimethoxy-1,4,6-triazaindene-2-carboxylate (M-26)\*

Methyl-5,7-dimethoxy-1,4,6-triazaindene-2-carboxylate\* (1 g) was dissolved in 10 ml of N,N-dimethylacetamide. To the solution was added 1 g of -chlorotoluene. The mixture was refluxed for two hours and allowed to stir overnight (18 hours). Concentrated hydrochloric acid (5 ml) was added to the solution and the mixture was stirred at 100° for one hour. The solution was then added to 50 ml of distilled water. The gummy residue which separated was collected by decanting the aqueous phase. The residue was then dissolved in 30 ml of methanol and then filtered and dried in vacuo for 30 minutes at 80°C.

\*2,6-Dimethoxy-8-methoxycarbonyl-9-deazapurine.

Reaction of 2,4-Dimethoxy-8-methoxycarbonyl-9-deazapurine with methyl iodide (I-40).

To a solution of 25 ml of N,N-dimethylformamide (DMF) containing 2,4-dimethoxy-8-ethoxycarbonyl-9-deazapurine (0.4 g) methyl iodide (1.2 g) was added. The solution was heated at 70°C for two hours during which a precipitate separated. The precipitate was filtered, washed with ether (25 ml) and dried to air to yield 0.3 g of white product, m.p. 360 (above);  $\lambda$  Max: pH 1.7 275 n.m. and pH 11 302 n.m. Anal. Calcd. for  $C_9H_9N_3O_4 \cdot 3/2 H_2O$ : C, 43.2; H, 4.8; N, 16.8. Found: C, 44.2; H, 4.56; N, 16.4.

Hydrolysis 2,4-Dimethoxy-8-ethoxycarbonyl-9-deazapurine

2,4-dimethoxy-8-ethoxycarbonyl-9-deazapurine (2 g) was dissolved in hot hydrochloric acid. The mixture was refluxed

for two (2) hours during which time a precipitate formed. The brown precipitate was then filtered and washed with 50 ml of cold distilled water and dried under reduced pressure at 65°C for two hours to yield 1.0 grams, m.p. (above) 360 C;  $R_f$ : Solvent A, 0.40 and Solvent B, .44;  $\lambda_{\text{Max}}$ : pH 1.7 222, 274, 305 (s) n.m. and pH 11 230, 275, 297 (s) n.m. Method 2: (N-27).

Reduction of 3-(5-Nitro-6-uracilyl)-pyruvic acid with Sodium Hydroxulfite (I-40).

Recrystallized 3-(5-nitro-6-uracilyl)-pyruvic acid (0.5 g) was allowed to react with sodium hydrosulfite (0.7 g) in methanolic potassium hydroxide (5% solution) overnight (18 hours) at room temperature. A brown precipitate (0.38 g) separated and was washed with (25 ml) water. The solid was stirred with methanol, and then recrystallized from acetone-water, m.p. 360 (above). IR: 3750  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ , 3000  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ , 1700  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ , 1400  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ , 1250  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ , and 780  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; UV:  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$  pH 11 305, pH 1.7 305,  $R_f$ : Solvent A, 0.77; H, 4.8; N, 16.8. Found: C, 44.2; H, 4.56; N, 16.4.

Reaction of 2,6-dimethoxy-8-ethoxycarbonyl-9-deazapurine with chloropropene (I-72).

In aqueous potassium hydroxide (25 ml), 2,6-dimethoxy-8-ethoxy-carbonyl-9-deazapurine (1.6 g) was allowed to react with chloropropene (1.8 g) for 2 hrs. The solution was neutralized with cold dilute hydrochloric acid, evaporated to dryness and extracted with methylene chloride (35 ml). The solution was filtered and the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. The residue exhibited  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$ , pH 11 277 n.m; pH 1.7 292 n.m. Infrared: 2925  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . Bands in the N-H and -C-regions were absent. The product was homogeneous in Solvent C:  $R_f$ : 0.71 m.p.

Reaction of 2,6-dimethoxy-8-ethoxycarbonyl-9-deazapurine with chlorotoluene (I-71).

To 20 ml of aqueous potassium hydroxide (five per cent), 2,6-dimethoxy 8-methoxycarbonyl-9-deazapurine (1.2 g) was dissolved and allowed to stir with  $\alpha$ -chlorotoluene (1.3 g) for 2 hrs. The solution was neutralized with cold dilute hydrochloric acid and evaporated to dryness. The residue was then extracted with methylene chloride filtered, and again evaporated to dryness. The product showed  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$ , pH 11 282 n.m.; pH 1.7 296 n.m. Infrared:  $2925 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ . Bands in the N-H and -C- regions were absent. The product appeared homogeneous in Solvent C:  $R_f$ : 0.78.

Methylation of 2,6-dimethoxy-8-methoxycarbonyl-9-deazapurine (I-74).

Methyl Iodide (1.5 g) was added to 25 ml solution of 2,6-dimethoxy-8-methoxycarbonyl-9-deazapurine (1.0 g) in aqueous potassium hydroxide (five per cent) and permitted to stir for 2 hours. The solution was neutralized with cold dilute hydrochloric acid and evaporated to dryness. The residue was extracted with methylene chloride filtered and evaporated to dryness. The product (0.8 g) exhibited  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$ , pH 11 275 n.m; pH 1.7 290 n.m. Infrared:  $2925 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ . The product appeared pure in two solvent systems (A and C). Solvent A:  $R_f$ : 0.68. Solvent C:  $R_f$ : 0.70 m.p. 239-241.

Reaction of 2,6-dimethoxy-8-methoxycarbonyl-9-deazapurine with ammonia at elevated pressure (I-75).

Using a parr pressure reaction vessel, 2,6-dimethoxy-8-methoxycarbonyl-9-deazapurine (0.58 g) was dissolved in 100 ml

of absolute methanol. Liquid ammonia was then added until the total volume reached 150 ml of solution. The solution was then allowed to react at 100°C and 150 psi for one hour. The solution was permitted to cool to room temperature and evaporated to dryness. The product showed  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$ , pH 11 289 n.m.; pH 1.7 292 n.m. Infrared: 1690  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  and many strong bands in the fingerprint region m.p. 162-165.

Reaction of 2,4-dimethoxy 5-nitro-6-methoxymethylpyrimidine with ammonia at elevated temperature (I-77).

In a pressure reaction vessel (Parr Instruments) 60 ml of liquid ammonia was introduced and allowed to stand for five minutes. In 60 ml of absolute methanol, 2,6-dimethoxy-8-methoxycarbonyl-9-deazapurine (0.9 g) was dissolved and added to the reaction vessel. The solution was then permitted to react for two and one-half hours at 100°C and 200 psi. The solution was allowed to cool to room temperature and was evaporated to dryness. The product (0.71 g) exhibited  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$ , pH 11 300 n.m.; pH 1.7 292 n.m. product was heterogeneous in Solvent C.  $R_f$ : 0.04;  $R_f$ : 0.55. M.P. 183-185.

Reaction of 2,4-dimethoxy-5-nitro-6-methylpyrimidine with methyl benzoate (I-37)

To 200 ml of metallic sodium (2 g) was added in a dry environment. Then methyl benzoate (7.0 g) was added and allowed to stir for fifteen minutes. The pH of the solution was checked to insure basicity. Then 2,4-dimethoxy-5-nitro-6-methylpyrimidine (7.5 g) was added and allowed to reflux for 24 hours. The solution was neutralized with cold concentrated hydrochloric acid and evaporated to dryness. The residue was washed with water, then with



petroleum ether and allowed to dry to air. The product (6.7 g) exhibited  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$ , pH 11 338 n.m.; pH 1.7 340 n.m. Infrared; 2930  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ , 1698  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . NMR: 5.6 singlet; 6.3 singlet; M.P. 240°.

Reaction of 2,4-Dimethoxy-5-nitro-6-methoxalylmethylpyrimidine with 2-Fluorobenzylchloride (I-95)

To 30 ml of abs. methanol 1.0 g of metallic sodium was added. Then 1.5 g of diethyloxalate and 2.2 g of 2,4-dimethoxy 5-nitro-6methylpyrimidine were added respectively and refluxed for 2 hours. A yellow precipitate formed which was filtered and washed with excess methanol. The precipitate formed which was filtered and washed with excess methanol. The precipitate (2.0 g) was collected and suspended in 250 ml of abs. methanol with 2-fluorobenzylchloride (2.5g) and allowed to reflux for 9 hours. The solution was filtered (routinely) and brought to dryness. The residue was washed with 100 ml of methylene chloride, filtered and dried in vacuo at 70°C to yield 0.4 g. M.P. 223 (with decomposition). Recrystallization from methanol gave an analytical sample. UV.  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$  pH 11 225 and 335 (s) n.m.; pH 1.7 263 and 345 (s) n.m.

Reaction of 2,6-Dimethoxy-8-methoxycarbonyl-9-deazapurine with 3-Chlorobenzylchloride (M-30)

To 75 ml of N,N'-dimethylformamide 2,6-dimethoxy-8-methoxycarbonyl-9-deazapurine (1.0 g) was added. Then potassium carbonate (0.9 g) and 3-chlorobenzylchloride (1.0g) were added to the solution. The mixture was heated at 60-70°C for 16 hours. The mixture was filtered and the filtrate was evaporated to a gum. The gum-like residue was crystallized from 20 ml of 95% methanol-water solution to give 0.6 g of product. max: pH 11 282 and 330 (s) n.m.; pH 1.7 293 n.m. M.P. 283° (decomposition).

Reaction of 2,6-Dimethoxy-8-methoxycarbonyl-9-deazapurine with Glycidol (I-84)

In 75 ml of N,N' dimethylformamide (DMF) 2,6-dimethoxy-8-methoxycarbonyl-9-deazapurine (1.0 g) was dissolved. To this solution 0.9 g of potassium carbonate and 1.0 g of glycidol were added. The mixture was stirred for 16 hours at 60-70°C. The mixture was filtered and the filtrate evaporated to near dryness and slurried with 20 ml of methanol. The product isolated (0.2 g) exhibited  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$ : pH 291 and 305 (s) n.m.; pH 1.7 291 n.m. M.P. 160-164°C.  $R_f$ : Solvent A:0.001 and B: 0.93.

Reaction of 2,6-Dimethoxy-8-methoxycarbonyl-9-deazapurine with 4-Fluorobenzylchloride (M-29)

2,6-dimethoxy-8-methoxycarbonyl-9-deazapurine (1.0 g) was dissolved in 75 ml of N,N'-dimethylformamide (DMF). Potassium carbonate (0.9 g) and 4-fluorobenzylchloride (1.0 g) were added and the resulting mixture was stirred at 60-70°C for 16 hours. The mixture was filtered and the filtrate was evaporated to an oil and crystallized from 20 ml 95% methanol-water solution yielding 0.4 g of product. U.V.:  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$ : pH 284, and 335 (s) n.m.; pH 1.7 292 n.m. M.P. 184-187.

Reaction of 2,4-Dimethoxy-5-nitro-6-methoxyallylmethylpyrimidine with Diethylamine (I-85)

A mixture of 2,4-dimethoxy-5-nitro-6-methoxyallylmethylpyrimidine (1.0 g) and diethyl amine (1.0 g) in 75 ml of abs. methanol was refluxed for 16 hours. (As the reaction proceeded, the suspended material slowly dissolved). The solution was then filtered, evaporated to dryness and washed with excess ligroine. Recrystallization from 25 ml acetone gave 0.6 g of homogeneous product. U.V.: max: pH 11 262, 350 n.m.; pH 1.7 261 and 300 n.m.

pH 1.7 261 and 300 n.m. Infrared:  $3000\text{cm}^{-1}$ ,  $1720\text{cm}^{-1}$ ,  $1050\text{cm}^{-1}$ .

Reaction of 2,6-Dimethoxy-8-methoxycarbonyl-9-deazapurine with 4-Bromobenzylchloride (I-94)

2,6-Dimethoxy-8-methoxycarbonyl-9-deazapurine (1.0g) was dissolved in 75 ml of N,N' dimethylformamide (DMF) and potassium carbonate (0.9 g) was added. To this mixture 1.0 g of 4-bromobenzylchloride was added and allowed to stir at  $60-70^{\circ}\text{C}$  for 16 hours. The mixture was filtered and the solvent evaporated to near dryness. The gum was then crystallized from 20 ml of methanol-water solution to yield 0.4 g of product. U.V.:  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$ : pH 11 282 and 332 n.m.; pH 1.7 291 n.m. Infrared:  $2950\text{cm}^{-1}$ ,  $171\text{cm}^{-1}$ ,  $1050\text{cm}^{-1}$ .  $R_f$ : Solvent A: 0.88 and B: 0.91.

Reaction of 2,6-Dimethoxy-8-methoxycarbonyl-9-deazapurine with 2,6-Dichlorobenzylchloride (I-91)

To 100 ml of N,N' dimethylformamide (DMF) 2,6-dimethoxy-8-methoxycarbonyl-9-deazapurine (2.2 g) was added. To this solution potassium carbonate (2.0 g) was suspended. Then to this mixture 2,6-dichlorobenzylchloride (2.2 g) was added and permitted to heat between  $60-70^{\circ}\text{C}$  for 16 hours. The substance was filtered and evaporated to an oil. The oil was then crystallized from 20 ml of 95% methanol-water yielding 0.6 g. The product exhibited  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$ : pH 11 284 and 330 n.m.; pH 1.7 290 n.m. Infrared:  $2950\text{cm}^{-1}$ ,  $1710\text{cm}^{-1}$ ,  $1050\text{cm}^{-1}$ . The product appeared homogeneous in two solvent systems: A, 86 and B, 0.90.

Reaction of 2,6-Dimethoxy-8-methoxycarbonyl-9-deazapurine with 2-Fluorobenzylchloride (I-93)

In 75 ml of N,N' dimethylformamide (DMF) was added 1.0g of

2,6-dimethoxy 8-methoxycarbonyl-9-deazapurine. Potassium carbonate (0.9 g) was then suspended and the resulting suspension stirred at 60-70°C with 1.0 g of 20-fluorobenzylchloride for 16 hours. The mixture was filtered and the solvent was then removed in vacuo and the resulting oil was crystallized from a 95% methanol-water solution to give 0.4 g of product. The product showed  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$ : pH 11 285 and 333 n.m.; pH 1.7 292 n.m. Infrared:  $2950\text{cm}^{-1}$ ,  $1710\text{cm}^{-1}$ , and  $750\text{cm}^{-1}$ .  $R_f$ : Solvent A: .88 and B: 0.90.

Reaction of 2,4-Dimethoxy-5-nitro-6-methylpyrimidine with Ethyl cyanoacetate (I-86)

Metallic sodium (0.5 g) was added to 75 ml of abs. methanol. To the solution was added 2.0 g of ethyl cyanoacetate, followed by the addition of 2,4-dimethoxy-5-nitro-6-methylpyrimidine (2.0 g). The mixture was refluxed for 24 hours. The solution was neutralized with conc. hydrochloric acid and evaporated to near dryness and treated with 35 ml of acetone.

Preparation of 1-(5-Nitro-6-uracilyl)-2-phenylethenes.

5-Nitro-6-methyluracil was added to a solution containing the aromatic aldehyde (10% molar excess) in pyridine (10 ml per gram of pyrimidine). The resulting solution was refluxed for 24 hours, and then the solution was evaporated to dryness at 65-70° in vacuo. Hot methanol (25 ml per gram of pyrimidine) was added to the residue, and after stirring, filtered and dried to air. The product was reprecipitated from dilute potassium hydroxide (1%), and dried in a vacuum oven for two hours at 80°C. (See Table II, Page 8)

Preparation of 1-(5-Nitro-6-uracilyl)-2-phenylethyne (N-19).

1-(or 2)-bromo-1-(or-2)-methoxy-1-(5-nitro-6-uracilyl)-2-phenylethyne (5 g) was dissolved in 95 ml of methanol con-

taining potassium hydroxide (5 g). The resulting solution was refluxed for 24 hours, during which time a precipitate formed. The precipitate formed was filtered and dried to air. The infrared spectra showed a sharp peak at  $4.5\text{ cm}^{-1}$ . The product was then dissolved in water (50 ml), and neutralized at pH 5-6 with Dowex 50w -x 8 acid exchange resin. The precipitate which formed after neutralization was filtered and dried in a vacuum oven for two hours at  $80^{\circ}\text{C}$  to yield 4.5 g (75% yield) of product, m.p.  $198-200^{\circ}\text{C}$ .  $R_f$ : Solvnet A.77; B .71; max. pH 11 227,  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$  pH 11 275 and 340 n.m.; pH 1.7 235 and 320 n.m.

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1-(5-Amino-6-uracilyl)-2-phenylethyne (N-30).

1-(5-Nitro-6-uracilyl)-2-phenylethyne (1 g) was suspended in water (20 ml). Sodium hydrosulfite (2 g) was then added and the mixture was stirred at room temperature for two hours. The mixture was then heated for 30 minutes to dissolve the solid then routinely filtered, and cooled to  $25^{\circ}\text{C}$ . The resulting solution was then reprecipitated by the addition methanol (20 ml) to yield 0.5 grams of product,  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$ : pH 11 225, 272 n.m and pH 1.7 230, 270 n.m. The product was further purified by reprecipitation from water with methanol.

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5-Amino-6-styryluracil (N-66).

5-nitro-6-styryluracil (10 g) was dissolved in dilute potassium hydroxide (5%) (200 ml). To the solution was added at  $70^{\circ}$  sodium hydrosulfite (10 g), and the resulting solution was stirred at  $90^{\circ}\text{C}$  for 30 minutes. The solution was then acidified at pH 6 with acetic acid, and cooled to  $10^{\circ}\text{C}$ . The precipitate which formed was filtered and washed with cold water

(100 ml) to yield 5 g of crude product, m.p. 278-280°C.  $\lambda$  max, pH 11 295 and 310 n.m.; pH 1.7 292 and 310 n.m.

1 or 2-bromo, 1 or 2-methoxy-1-(5-amino-6-uracilyl)-2-phenyl-ethane (N-67).

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Bromine (2 g) was added to methanol (50 ml) while stirring at 55°C. 5-Amino-6-styryluracil (2 g) was then added to the resulting solution and the mixture was stirred at 55°C for thirty minutes. Additional bromine (2 g) was added and stirring was continued for 30 minutes. The solution was then evaporated to dryness in vacuo at 60°. Water (50 ml) was added to the residue which was then basified with dilute ammonium hydroxide (5%). The crude product was filtered and dried in a vacuum oven at 80°C for 15 minutes to yield 2.1 g of product, n.m.; pH 1.7 215 and 292 n.m.

1-(5-amino-6-uracilyl)-2-phenylethyne (N-68).

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1 or 2-bromo, 1 or 2-methoxy-1-(5-amino-6-uracilyl)-2-phenylethane (2 g) was dissolved in alcoholic potassium hydroxide (5%) (50 ml). The resulting solution was refluxed for 24 hours. The precipitate which formed was filtered and dried to air. The product did not give evidence of a triple bond and was not characterized further. The filtrate was evaporated to dryness to yield 1.5 grams of product, m.p.; pH 1.7 276 n.m. The crude product which contained traces of starting material was stirred in water (20 ml), and neutralized with concentrated hydrochloric acid. The precipitate which formed was filtered and dried in vacuum oven at 80°C for 30 minutes to yield 1 g of product.

Reaction of 5-amino-6-styryluracil with nitrous acid (method 1)  
(N-72).

5-amino-6-styryluracil (1.5g) was dissolved in cold dilute potassium hydroxide (5%) (20 ml). To this solution sodium nitrite (1.5 g) was added, and the resulting solution was added dropwise to dilute hydrochloric acid (10%) (50 ml) previously cooled to 20°C. The precipitate which formed while stirring for 30 minutes was filtered and dried to air to yield 1 g of product.  $R_f$ : Solvent A .72, B.52,  $\lambda_{\max}$ , pH 11 245, and 292 n.m.; pH 1.7 245 and 292 n.m.

(Method 2) (N-73).

5-amino-6-styryluracil (1 g) was added to concentrated sulfuric acid (25 ml) previously cooled at 5°C. Sodium nitrite (1 g) was added, and the resulting solution was stirred at 5°C for 30 minutes. The solution was then poured over ice (25 g). The precipitate which formed was filtered and dried to air to yield 1.2 g of product, m.p. 138-140°.  $R_f$ : Solvent A .72: B.56;  $\lambda_{\max}$ , pH 11 250 and 292 n.m.; pH 1.7 250 and 292 n.m.

1-(2,4-Dimethoxy-5-nitro-6-pyrimidyl)-2-(2-chlorophenyl) ethene  
(N-40).

2,4-Dimethoxy-5-nitro pyrimidine (5 g) was dissolved in a solution containing 2-chlorobenzaldehyde (15 g) in pyridine (31.2 ml). The resulting solution was refluxed for 24 hours and then evaporated to dryness at 60° in vacuo. A gummy residue was formed to yield 5.1 g of product.  $\lambda_{\max}$  pH 11 253 and 286 nm; pH 1.7 285 n.m. The product was used without further purification after repeated attempts failed to yield a crystalline solid.

1 or 2-bromo, 1 or 2-methoxy-1-(2,4-dimethoxy-5-nitro-6-pyrimidyl)-

2-(chlorophenyl) ethane (N-51).

Bromine (2.5 g) was added to methanol (50 ml) while stirring at 55°C. 1-(2,4-dimethoxy-5-nitro-6-uracilyl)-2-(2-chlorophenyl) ethene (2.5 g) was then added in small aliquots, and the mixture was stirred for 30 min. Additional bromine (10 g) was then added, and the solution was stirred for 30 min. and evaporated to dryness in vacuo at 60°. The gummy residue which formed was dried to air overnight to yield 5.1 g of crude-wet product. The product was dissolved in methanol (50 ml) by heating and cooled to 35°C. An insoluble residue was removed by filtration. The filtrate was evaporated to dryness in vacuo at 60° to yield 2.2 g of gummy product.

$\lambda$  max, pH 11 385 n.m.; pH 1.7 262 and 385 nm.

1-(2,4-dimethoxy-5-nitro-6-pyrimidyl)-2-(2-chlorophenyl) ethyne (N-55).

1 or 2 bromo, 1 or 2-methoxy-1-(2,4-dimethoxy-5-nitro-6-pyrimidyl)-2-(2-chlorophenyl) ethane (2.2 g) was dissolved in dilute alcoholic potassium hydroxide (5%) (50 ml). The resulting solution was refluxed for 24 hours during which time a precipitate formed which was filtered and dried to air. This product did not show evidence of a triple bond. The filtrate was evaporated to dryness in vacuo at 60° to yield 3.2 g of gummy product which gave evidence of a triple bond. max, pH 227 n.m.; pH 1.7 256 n.m. The product was then stirred in cold water (30 ml). A portion of the product was insoluble in water. The insoluble product was filtered and dried to air. (This product did not show evidence of a triple bond). The filtrate was evaporated to dryness. The gum which resulted was suspended in water (10 ml), and neutralized with acetic acid. A precipitate formed which was filtered and dried to air.



1 or 2 bromo, 1 or 2-methoxy-1-(5-nitro-6-uracilyl)-2-(2-chloro-phenyl) ethane.

Bromine (10 g) was added to methanol (100 ml). 1-(5-nitro-6-uracilyl)-2-(2-chlorophenyl) ethene (10 g) was added in small aliquots. The resulting mixture was stirred at 35°C for 30 minutes. Additional bromine (20 g) was added, and the resulting solution was stirred for 30 minutes and evaporated to dryness in vacuo at 60°. Water (100 ml) was added to the residue which was then basified with dilute ammonium hydroxide (5%), filtered, and dried in a vacuum oven at 80°C for 30 minutes to yield 12.5 g of product, m.p. 183-186°C. Solvent A .90; B .91.  $\lambda$  max: pH 11 226 and 282 n.m; pH 1.7 274 and 369 n.m.

1-(5-amino-6-uracilyl)-2-(2-chlorophenyl) ethene (K-228).

1-(5-nitro-6-uracilyl)-2-(2-chlorophenyl) ethene (15 g) was suspended in dilute potassium hydroxide (5%) (600 ml) while heating at 75°C. Sodium hydrosulfite (45 g) was added slowly at 75-80°C, and the resulting mixture was heated at 75-80°C for 30 minutes. The mixture was then filtered and the precipitate washed with water (100 ml). The light yellow product was suspended in hot water (300 ml) at 95-100°C, and acidified at pH 4 with concentrated hydrochloric acid. The product was filtered, washed with water (300 ml), and dried in a vacuum oven at 82°C for 1 hour to yield 5 g of product. Two grams of the product was reprecipitated from 20 ml of concentrated sulfuric acid by the addition of ice-water (50 g) to yield 1.5 g of the sulfate salt, m.p. 338-340 dec.  $\lambda$  max: pH 11 275, 350 n.m.; pH 1.7 275 n.m.  $R_f$ : Solvent A: .90, B: .64.

Reaction of 1-(5-nitro-6-uracilyl)-2-phenylethyne with sodium hydrosulfite (K-236).

1-(5-Nitro-6-uracilyl)-2-phenylethyne (2 g) was dissolved in

dilute potassium hydroxide (5%) (25 ml) while heating at 65°C. Sodium hydrosulfite (4 g) was then added in small portions at a rate that the temperature did not exceed 70°C. The mixture was stirred at 70°C for 20 minutes during which time a precipitate separated. The precipitate was filtered from the hot solution and washed with water (5 ml), and acetone (20 ml) to yield .2 g of product which decomposed at 278-285.  $\lambda$  max: pH 11 275, 350 n.m., pH 1.7 317 n.m.  $R_f$ : Solvent A: .67; B: .30.

#### Bromination of 5-nitro-6-styryluracil (N-44).

Bromine (20 g) was added to acetic acid (200 ml) while stirring at 30°C. To the solution was added 5-nitro-6-styryluracil (20 g) and the resulting mixture was stirred at 30°C for 30 min. Additional bromine (80 g) was then added, and the resulting solution was allowed to continue stirring for 1.5 hours at 30°C. The solution was then evaporated to dryness in vacuo at 60°C. Water (200 ml) was added to the residue and the resulting solution basified to pH 9 with ammonium hydroxide (50%). The product was then filtered and dried to air to yield 24.3 g of crude product. Recrystallization from methanol (200 ml) gave 12.2 g of product. m.p. 186-188°C.  $\lambda$  max: pH 11 226, 282 n.m.; pH 1.7 228, 274, 369 n.m.  $R_f$ : Solvent A: .001; B: .50.

Anal. Calcd. for  $C_{17}H_9N_3Br_2O_2$ : C, 34.40; H, 2.15; N, 10.01.  
Found: C, 34.21; H, 2.82; N, 9.73.

#### 1,2-Dibromo-1-(5-amino-6-uracilyl)-2-phenylethane (N-85).

1,2,-dibromo-1-(5-nitro-6-uracilyl)-2-phenylethane (10 g) was dissolved in methanol (100 ml). Raney Nickel (30 g) previously washed in methanol was then added to the solution. The mixture was allowed to react in the hydrogenator under 30 lb. of pressure until no more hydrogen was absorbed. The resulting mix-

ture was then filtered and the Raney Nickel extracted three times with boiling methanol (300 ml). The extracts were then combined and finally evaporated to dryness in vacuo at 60° to yield 6.2 grams of product, m.p. 191-195°C.  $\lambda$  max, pH 11 306 n.m.; pH 1.7 225 and 260 n.m.  $R_f$ : solvent A: .50; B: 15, .001 .08.

Reaction of 1,2-Dibromo-1-(5-amino-6-uracilyl)-2-phenylethane with 10% alcoholic potassium hydroxide (N-104).

1,2-dibromo-1-(5-amino-6-uracilyl)-2-phenylethane (4 g) was dissolved in alcoholic potassium hydroxide (25 g in 75 g of methanol). The resulting solution was refluxed for 3 hours and adjusted to pH 4 with hydrochloric acid. The precipitate which formed was filtered and then suspended in cold water (80 ml). The insoluble material filtered and dried to air to yield 1.1 g of product which did not decompose below 360°C.  $\lambda$  max: pH 11 235 306 n.m.; pH 1.7 233, 310 n.m.  $R_f$ : Solvent A: .87; B: 70.

Reduction of 1-(5-Nitor-6-uracilyl)-2-phenylethyne (N-96).

1-(5-nitro-6-uracilyl)-2-phenylethyne (1 g) was dissolved in dilute alcoholic potassium hydroxide (5%) (25 ml). Raney Nickel (2.5 g) was then added, and the resulting mixture was refluxed for 2 hours. The mixture was then filtered. The filtrate was neutralized with conc. hydrochloric acid, the precipitate filtered, and dried in a vacuum oven at 80°C for 30 minutes to yield .8 grams of product, m.p. 208-210°C.  $\lambda$  max, pH 11 225, 290 n.m.; pH 1.7 225, 268 n.m.  $R_f$ : Solvent A: 0.001, .15, B: 0.001.

Bromination of 1-(5-amino-6-uracilyl)-2-phenylethene (94).

Bromine (3 g) was added to acetic acid (20 ml) while stirring at 30°C. To the solution was added 5-amino-6-styryl-uracil (3 g) and the mixture stirred for 30 minutes. Additional bromine (9 g) was added, and the resulting solution was stirred for 1.5 hours at 30°C. The solution was then evaporated to dryness. Water (25 ml) was added to the syrupy residue which was filtered and dried to yield 3.6 g of product.  $\lambda$  max: pH 11 225, 286 n.m.; pH 1.7 225 and 292 n.m.  $R_f$ : Solvent A: .20; B: 0.00.

1-(5-nitro-6-uracilyl)-2-phenylethyne Preparation (N-129).

1,2-dibromo-1-(5-nitro-6-uracilyl)-2-phenylethane (15 g) was dissolved in dilute alcoholic potassium hydroxide (10 g in 190 ml of methanol). The resulting solution was refluxed for 3 hours. A precipitate formed which was filtered and suspended in cold water (10 ml). The insoluble material was filtered and dried to air. The product was finally reprecipitated from dilute potassium hydroxide (5%) (140 ml), filtered, adjusted to pH 4 with acetic acid and dried in a vacuum oven at 82°C for 30 minutes to yield 6.2 g of product, m.p. 206-207°C. The product showed evidence of a triple bond in the region 2200  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ .  $\lambda$  max: pH 11 279 n.m.; pH 1.7 240, 315 n.m.  $R_f$ : Solvent A: .001; B: .22. Anal. Calcd.  $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_7\text{N}_3\text{O}_4 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ : C, 52.3; H, 3.27; N, 15.25. Found: C, 52.61; H, 3.39; N, 13.97.

1-(2,4-dimethoxy-5-nitro-6-pyrimidyl)-2-phenylethene Preparation

Benzaldehyde (3 g) was dissolved in 3% sodium methoxide (60 ml). 2,4-dimethoxy-5-nitro-6-methylpyrimidine (3g) was then added, and the resulting solution was refluxed for 1 hour. The precipitate which formed was filtered and suspended in cold

water (90 ml). The soluble material was filtered, heated to dissolve in water (90 ml), and adjusted to pH 7 with acetic acid. The precipitate which formed was filtered and dried in a vacuum oven at 82°C for 1 hour to yield 3.2 g of product, m.p. 273-276°C.

$\lambda$  max: pH 11 225, 284, 308 n.m.; pH 1.7 287, 327 n.m.  $R_f$ : Solvent A: .33; B: .26. Anal. Calcd. for  $C_{14}H_{13}O_4N_3 \cdot 3/2 H_2O$ : C, 53.50; H, 5.10; N, 13.35. Found: C, 53.25; H, 5.36; N, 13.44.

Reaction of 1-(5-nitro-6-uracilyl)-2-phenylethyne with sodium sulfide (K-237).

1-(5-nitro-6-uracilyl)-2-phenylethyne (1 g) was dissolved in water (30 ml) containing sodium sulfide. The mixture was heated at 65-70°C for 30 minutes, and the solution was adjusted to pH 6 with acetic acid. The precipitate which formed was filtered and washed with excess water to yield .18 g of product which darkens at 178-180°C.  $\lambda$  max: pH 11 299 n.m.; pH 1.7 310 n.m.  $R_f$ : Solvent A: .65; B: .001, .62.

Diazotization of 1-(5-amino-6-uracilyl)-2-(2-chlorophenyl) ethene (K-229).

1-(5-amino-6-uracilyl)-2-(2-chlorophenyl) ethene (2 g) was dissolved in concentrated sulfuric acid (20 ml). The solution was then cooled to 10-15°C and sodium nitrite (2 g) was then added in small portions. The mixture was allowed to stir 30 minutes at 10-15°C. The mixture was finally poured over ice-water (100 g) at a rate that the temperature did not exceed 10°C. The resulting precipitate was filtered and washed with water (100 ml) to yield 1.1 g of product which darkens at 208-211°C.  $\lambda$  max: pH 11 240, 303 n.m. pH 1.7 238, 304 n.m.  $R_f$ : Solvent A: .86; B: .60.

The precipitate which formed was filtered and dried to air to yield 0.4 g of product. U.V.  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$  pH 11 257 and 350 (s) n.m.; pH 1.7 260 and 335 (s). M.P. 175-178. I.R. 2275 and 720 $\text{cm}^{-1}$ .

1-(2,4-Dimethoxy-5-nitro-6-pyrimidyl)-2-(2,6-dichlorophenyl)-ethene (M-33).

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2,6-Dichlorobenzaldehyde (7.5 g) was dissolved in 3% sodium methoxide (100 ml). To this solution was added 2,4-dimethoxy-6-nitro-6-methylpyrimidine (5 g). The solution was refluxed for 2 hours, filtered, and reprecipitate washed with methanol and dried in vacuo at 80 C for 1 hour to yield 6 g. The product was recrystallized from acetone and dried in vacuo. M. P. 240-242.  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$ : pH 11 258, 315; max pH 1.7 268, 340 (s).  $R_f$ : Solvent A: .92; Solvent B: .74.

1,2-Dibromo-1-(2,4-dimethoxy-5-nitro-6-pyrimidyl)-2-(2,6-dichlorophenyl) ethane (M-34).

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Bromine (4 g) was dissolved in acetic acid 40 ml. To this solution was added 1-(2,4-dimethoxy-5-nitro-6-pyrimidyl)-2-(2,6-dichlorophenyl) ethene (4 g). After 30 minutes of stirring at room temperature additional Bromine (4 g) was added. Stirring was continued for 1½ hours and after which the solution was evaporated to dryness, the residue in water (50 ml) was made basic (pH 8) with ammonium hydroxide. The precipitate was filtered and washed with distilled water and dried in vacuo at 80°C for 1 hour to yield 5.4 g. One gram of the product was recrystallized (methanol 20 ml). M.P. 183-187°C.  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$  pH 11 302; max: pH 1.7 290.  $R_f$ : Solvent A: .94; Solvent B: 96.

1,2-Dibromo-1-(2,4-dimethoxy-5-amino-6-pyrimidyl)-2-(2,6-dichlorophenyl) ethane (M-35).

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1,2-Dibromo-1-(2,4-dimethoxy-5-amino-6-pyrimidyl)-2-(2,6-dichlorophenyl) ethane (4 g) was dissolved methanol (200 ml) followed by the addition of methanol-washed Raney Nickel. The reaction mixture was allowed to react in a hydrogenator under 40 psi of hydrogen until no further absorption of hydrogen was noted. The catalyst was removed by filtration and then extracted with hot methanol (50 ml). The combined filtrate and washing was evaporated to dryness to yield 2.6 g. The product was recrystallized from methanol. M.P. 161-164°C.

max: pH 11 300, 240;  $\lambda$  max: pH 1.7 300, 240  $R_f$ : Solvent A: .87; Solvent B: .95.

Reaction of alcoholic potassium hydroxide with 1,2-Dibromo-1-2,3-dimethoxy-5-amino-6-pyrimidyl)-2-(4,6-dichlorophenyl) ethane (M-36).

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1,2-Dibromo-1-(2,4-dimethoxy-5-amino-6-pyrimidyl)-2-(2,6-dichlorophenyl) ethane (1.3 g) was dissolved 5% alcoholic potassium hydroxide (50 ml). This reaction mixtures wase stirred for three (3) hours under vigorous refluxing conditions and evaporated to dryness. The residue was slurred in distilled water, filtered and dried in vacuo to yield 0.9 g. M. P. 210-216°C. max: pH 11 302, 240;  $\lambda$  max: pH 1.7 302, 340.  $R_f$ : Solvent A .89; Solvent B .95.

Reduction of 2,4-Dimethoxy-5-nitro-6-methylpyrimidine (AA-26)

A mixture of 5.0 g 2,4-dimethoxy-5-nitro-6-methylpyrimidine and 4.0 g of 64% hydrazine were refluxed and stirred with a magnetic stirrer for 2 hours. The dark red solution turned brown as the reaction proceeded. The reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature, and the brown solid filtered as a gum. The solid was washed repeatedly with absolute methanol and air dried. The resulting solid weighed 2.84 g (84%), M.P. 198<sup>o</sup>-200<sup>o</sup>C (uncorr). The solid exhibited  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$ : pH 1.7; (solvent B) 0.66.

Condensation of Phenylglyoxal with 2,4-dimethoxy-5-nitro-6-methylpyrimidine

A mixture of 1.0 g of 2,4-dimethoxy-5-nitro-6-methylpyrimidine and 1.0 g sodium in 200 ml methanol (deep red solution) was stirred at room temperature 3 hours, then refluxed with stirring 1 hour. After cooling to room temperature the solution was evaporated to almost dryness. Upon the addition of 100 ml water and acidification with con. HCl, a dark gummy residue was obtained. The gummy residue was treated repeatedly with toluene and evaporated to get rid of acetone. Finally, the semi solid residue was precipitated from a toluene solution with heptane. The residue exhibited  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$ : pH 11 250 n.m.; pH 1.7 257 n.m. Infrared: 1700  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ .  $R_f$ : (Solvent A) 0.81; (Solvent B) 0.68.

Reaction of 2,4-Dimethoxy-5-amino-6-methylpyrimidine with phenylglyoxal (AA-29)

A mixture of 1.0 g 2,4-dimethoxy-5-amino-6-methylpyrimidine in methanol was stirred at room temperature. After 8 hours,



1.0 g sodium was added and the reaction mixture stirred at room temperature over night, then refluxed for 2 hours. The solvent was evaporated to dryness under vacuum, and the residue taken up in 10 ml of water. The water solution was acidified with con. HCl while cooling in an ice bath, then made alkaline by bubbling in ammonia. After evaporation the aqueous solution, the solid residue was dissolved in methanol and treated with carbon. The methanol was allowed to evaporate over night to afford a solid. The solid residue exhibited  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$ : pH 225 n.m.; PH 1.7 235 n.m.  $R_f$ : (Solvent A) 0.81; (Solvent B) 0.72.

Reaction of the sodium salt of 2,4-dimethoxy-5-nitro-6-methoxalyl methylpyrimidine with 2,6-trichlorotoulene (M-64)

2,4-Dimethoxy-5-nitro-6-methoxalyl methylpyrimidine (10.0 g) was suspended in a freshly prepared solution of sodium methoxide (1.0 g of sodium in 100 ml of methanol). The 2,6-trichlorotoulene (10.0 g) was added to the mixture and then was allowed to reflux for 48 hours. The mixture was filtered and the precipitate washed with methanol. The combined filtrates were evaporated to dryness in vacuo. The residue was slurried in chloroform and filtered. The precipitate was washed with chloroform (80 ml) and dried @ 80°C in vacuo for 1 hr. to yield 4.5 g of product. The product exhibited  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$ : pH 11 225 n.m., 340 n.m.; pH 1.7 245 n.m., 278 (s) n.m., 340 (s) n.m. Positive Halogen Test. Infrared: 1760  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . The product appeared pure in two solvents: Solvent A,  $R_f$ : .93, Solvent C,  $R_f$ : .74.

Reaction of 2,4-Dimethoxy-5-nitro-6-methoxalyl methylpyrimidine with sodium bisulfite (M-67)

2,4-Dimethoxy-5-nitro-6-methoxalylmethylpyrimidine (10.0 g) was suspended in solution of methanol (100 ml) and water (50 ml).

A prepared solution of sodium bisulfite, 10.0 g in 50 ml of were added to the said suspension at a temperature 60-75°C, and without additional heating, the resulting solution was stirred for 2 hours. The solution was then evaporated to near dryness at room temperature and suspended in hot methanol and filtered. The filtrate was then evaporated to an oily residue which was treated with 5% hydrochloric acid solution and the resulting mixture was filtered and the precipitate was washed with 50 ml of water to yield 1.8 g product which was homogeneous in Solvent  $R_f$ : .66, Solvnet A.  $R_f$ : .91. Infrared:  $1750\text{ cm}^{-1}$   $\lambda_{\text{max}}$ . pH 11 230 n.m., 335 n.m.; pH 1.7 230 n.m., 340 (s).

Reaction of 2,6-Dimethoxy-8-methoxy carbonyl-9-deazapurine with diethanolamine

2,6-dimethoxy-8-methoxy carbonyl-9-deazapurine (I-38) (2 g) was dissolved in 25 ml of methanol and to this solution was added diethanolamine (2 g). This solution was refluxed for sixteen (16) hours after which was filtered, and the filtrate concentrated to an oil. The oily residue was treated with 25 ml of water and the pH of the solution adjusted to 6.5 with hydrochloric acid. The resulting precipitate was washed with 25 ml of cold water to yield 1.2 g of product which exhibited Infrared  $1760\text{ cm}^{-1}$ . U.V.  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$ : pH 11 225 n.m., 298 n.m.; pH 1.7 230 n.m. Solvent C,  $R_f$ : .21 Solvent A,  $R_f$ : .83.

Reaction of 2,6-Dimethoxy-8-methoxycarbonyl-9-deazapurine with n-propylamine (M-59)

2,6-Dimethoxy-8-methoxy carbonyl-9-deazapurine (I-38) (5 g) was dissolved in methanol 100 ml, and to this solution was added n-propylamine (5 g). This solution was refluxed for sixteen hours after which the solution was routinely filtered, and the filtrate concen-

trated to an oil in vacuo. The oily residue was treated with 25 ml of water and the pH was adjusted to 6.5 with hydrochloric acid. The resulting precipitate was filtered and washed with water to yield 3.5 g of crude product which exhibited U.V. max: pH 11 230 n.m., exhibiting  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$ : pH 11 225 n.m., 260 n.m.; pH 1.7 230 n.m., 255 n.m., 350 (s). Infrared  $3600 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ,  $1750 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ . Solvent A,  $R_f$ : .96, .88; Solvent C,  $R_f$ : .85.

Reaction of 2,6-Dimethoxy-8-methoxy carbonyl-9-deazapurine with 1-adamantanamine (M-63)

2,6-Dimethoxy-8-methoxy carbonyl-9-deazapurine (I-38) (2 g) was dissolved in 25 ml of methanol, and to this solution was added 1-adamantanamine (2 g). This solution was refluxed over a 16 hour period after which was filtered, and the filtrate concentrated. The residue was treated with water and the medium's pH was adjusted to 6.5 with hydrochloric acid. The resulting precipitate was filtered and washed with water (55 ml). The product exhibited U.V.  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$ : pH 11 225 n.m., 295 n.m., pH 1.7 228 n.m., 230 n.m.. Infrared  $2900 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ . Solvent A,  $R_f$ : .83, .52; Solvent C,  $R_f$ : .50, .28.

Reaction of 2,6-Dimethoxy-8-methoxy carbonyl-9-deazapurines with 2,6-trichlorotoulene (M-43)

2,6-Dimethoxy-8-methoxycarbonyl-9-deazapurine (20.0 g) was dissolved in dimethylformamide (150.0 ml), and to this solution was added 20 g of potassium carbonate and 20 g of 2,6-trichlorotoulene. The mixture was stirred for 24 hours between 70-80°C.

The product was then filtered and the filtrate concentrated under diminished pressure. The residue was first extracted with 50 ml of ether and the ether layer decanted, then extracted

with 100 ml of water after which was filtered. The precipitate was homogeneous in two solvents:  $R_f$ ; Solvent C, .00; Solvent A, .86  $\lambda_{\max}$ : chloroform 243 n.m., 280 n.m., 315 n.m.

Reaction of 2,4-Dimethoxy-5-nitro-6-methoxalylmethyl pyrimidine with p-toulene sulfonyldrazide (M-70)

2,4-Dimethoxy-5-nitro-6-methoxalylmethylpyrimidine (2.0 g) was suspended in methanol (100 ml), and to the (2.0 g) and pyridine (2.0 ml) respectively. After refluxing for 16 hours the solution was evaporated to near dryness and slurred with 25.0 ml of water. The water layer was then decanted and the residue was dissolved in acetone (25.0 ml). The acetone solution was then added to an equal volume of water and the resulting mixture was filtered to yield .8 g of product which exhibited U.V.  $\lambda_{\max}$ : pH 11 230, 285 n.m.; 1.7 233, 265 n.m.;  $R_f$ ; Solvent A, .01, .97, Solvent C, .23, .51, .01

Reduction of methyl- $\alpha$ -hydroxyimino-B-(2,4-dimethoxy-5-nitro-6-pyrimidyl) pyruvate (M-66)

Methyl- $\alpha$ -hydroxyimino-B-6-nitro-6-pyrimidyl pyruvate (3.3g) was dissolved in 80 ml of methanol and placed into a reaction vessel followed by the addition of Raney nickel. The vessel was then subjected to a pressurized hydrogen atmosphere (35 PSI) and shaken vigorously for 16 hours. The mixture was then filtered and the filtrate evaporated to dryness in vacuo at 45°C. The product was recrystallized from methanol to yield 1.2 g of product  $\lambda_{\max}$ : pH 11 250 n.m., 290 n.m., 340 n.m.; pH 1.7 n.m.; 250 n.m., 290 n.m., 360 n.m., Infrared: 3500  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ , 3300  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ .

Reaction of Benzil with 2,4-dimethoxy-5-nitro-6-methylpyrimidine (M-68)

2,4-dimethoxy-5-nitro-6-methylpyrimidine (5 g) was dissolved in sodium methoxide, (1 g Na in 50 ml of methanol). Benzil (5 g)

was added and this medium was refluxed for 18 hours. This solution was then neutralized and concentrated to an oil. The oil was dissolved in ether and dried with calcium chloride after which the ether was evaporated off leaving an oil residue. The product, an oil exhibited U.V.  $\lambda$  max: pH 11 233, 255 n.m.; pH 1.7 228, 255 n.m.;  $R_f$ : Solvent A, .97, .36; Solvent C, .69, .83.

Reaction of 2,4-Dimethoxy-5-amino-6-methylpyrimidine with benzil (M-71)

2,4-Dimethoxy-5-amino-6-methylpyrimidine (5 g) was suspended in sodium methoxide (1 g of sodium in 100 ml of methanol). To this suspension was added 5 g of benzil, after which the reaction mixture was refluxed for 48 hours. This mixture was then neutralized with concentrated hydrochloric acid, filtered, and washed with water to yield 3.5 g of product exhibiting U.V.  $\lambda$  max: pH 11 225, 255 n.m.; pH 1.7 228, 265 n.m.  $R_f$ , Solvent A: .97; Solvent C: .53, .21.

The product was heterogeneous in Solvent A:  $R_f$ , .45, .29; Solvent C:  $R_f$ , .23.

Reaction of 2,4-Dimethoxy-5-nitro-6-methoxalylmethyl pyrimidine with hydroxylamine hydrochloride (M-65)

2,4-Dimethoxy-5-nitro-6-methoxalylmethylpyrimidine (10.0 g) was suspended in methanol (100 ml), and to the suspension was added hydroxylamine hydrochloride (10.0 g) followed by the addition pyridine (10.0 ml). After refluxing for 16 hours the solution was evaporated to near dryness in vacuo and slurred with 25.0 ml of water. The water layer was then decanted and the residue was dissolved in acetone (25.0 ml). The acetone solution was then added to an equal volume of water and the resulting mixture was filtered to yield 3.3 g of crude product exhibiting max: pH 11 .225 n.m., 260 n.m., 350

pH 1.7 230 n.m., 350 (s). Infrared  $3600\text{ cm}^{-1}$ ,  $1750\text{ cm}^{-1}$ . Solvent A,  $R_f$ : .96; Solvent C,  $R_f$ : .85.

Reaction of 2,6-Dimethoxy-8-methoxy carbonyl-9-deazapurine with allylamine (M-60)

2,6-Dimethoxy-8-methoxy carbonyl-9-deazapurine (I-38) (5 g) was dissolved in 100 ml of methanol, and to this solution was added 5 g of allylamine. This solution was refluxed for sixteen hours then filtered and the filtrate concentrated to an oil. The oily residue was treated with 25 ml of water and the pH of the solution adjusted to 6.5 with hydrochloric acid. The resulting precipitate was washed with 25 ml of cold water to yield 2.1 g, U.V.  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$ : pH 1.7 227 290 n.m.; pH 11 225, 292 n.m.;  $R_f$ : Solvent A, 9; Solvent C, .28

Reaction of 2,6-Dimethoxy-8-methoxy carbonyl-9-deazapurine with Benzylamine (M-57)

2,6-Dimethoxy-8-methoxycarbonyl-9-deazapurine (I-38) (2 g) was dissolved in 25 ml of methanol, and to this solution was added 2 g of Benzylamine. This solution was refluxed for sixteen hours then concentrated to an oil under reduced pressure at  $60^{\circ}\text{C}$ . The residue was then dissolved in water 25 ml and acidified to a pH 6.5. The resulting precipitate was washed with water (50 ml) and dried under diminished pressure at  $80^{\circ}\text{C}$  for 1 hr. The yield of the crude product .9 g produced the following data: U.V.  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$ : pH 11 229 n.m., 325 n.m.; pH 1.7 232 n.m., 331 n.m.  $R_f$ : Solvent A, .14, .46. Solvent C, .001 333.

Reaction 2,6-Dimethoxy-8-methoxycarbonyl-9-deazapurine with dibutylamine (M-58)

2,6-Dimethoxy-8-methoxycarbonyl-9-deazapurine (I-38) (2 g) was

dissolved in 25 ml of methanol, and to this solution was added dibutylamine (2 g). This solution was refluxed for sixteen hours after which was routinely filtered, and the filtrate concentrated to an oil. The oily residue was treated with 25 ml of water and the pH adjusted to 6.5. The resulting precipitate was washed with 25 ml of cold water to yield .8 g of product, U.V.,  $\lambda_{\max}$ : pH 11 228 n.m.,  $R_f$ ; Solvent A, .43, .59 Solvent C, .23, .36. 227 n.m., pH 11 292 n.m., 225 n.m.,  $R_f$ ; Solvent A, .90; Solvent C, .28.

Reaction of 2,6-Dimethoxy-8-methoxycarbonyl-9-deazapurine with butylamine (M-61)

2,6-Dimethoxy-8-methoxycarbonyl-9-deazapurine (I-38) (5 g) was dissolved in 100 ml of methanol, and to this solution was added butylamine (5 g). This solution was refluxed for sixteen hours after which was filtered and the filtrate concentrated. The residue was treated with 25 ml of water and the pH of the solution adjusted to 6.5 with hydrochloric acid. The resulting precipitate was washed with 55 ml of water to yield 1.5 g. The product was recrystallized from a mixture of methanol and water to yield 1.1 g., U.V.  $\lambda_{\max}$ : pH 11 230 n.m., 302 n.m.; pH 1.7 230 n.m., 292 n.m.;  $R_f$ ; Solvent A, .92; Solvent C, .23.

Reaction of 1-(5-Diazouracilyl)-2-phenylethene with butylamine (Q-78)

1-(5-Diazouracilyl)-2-phenylethene (Q-76) (3 g) was added to fifty (50) ml of methanol. This mixture stirred for five minutes then n-butylamine (5 g) was added and stirring was continued for 13 hours. This mixture was filtered and washed with excess water. The resulting material was suspended in thirty (30) ml of water and carefully neutralized with glacial acetic acid. This product was then filtered and washed with excess water yielding 1.1 g. U.V.  $\lambda_{\max}$ : pH 11 307 n.m.; (pH 1.7)

Preparation of 1-(5-nitro-6-uracilyl)-2-phenylethene (Q-64)

4-chlorobenzaldehyde (45 g) was added to 200 ml of pyridine. 5-nitro-6-methyluracil was then added (30 g) to the solution. The mixture then refluxed for 24 hours. The mixture was evaporated in vacuo. The resulting product was slurred in methanol (10 ml/1 g) and filtered. It was then slurred in hot water (10 ml/1 g) and washed with excess MeOH when filtered to yield: 36 g, U.V.  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$ : pH 11 330, 302, 276 n.m.; pH 1.7, 341, 292 n.m.  $R_f$ : Solvent A. .92 and Solvent C, 11, .30.

Preparation of 1-(5-amino-6-uracilyl)-2-phenylethene (Q-65)

1-(Nitrouracilyl)-2-(4-chloro)phenylethene (50 g) was added to 5% KOH (200 ml). This mixture was heated to 75°C. 150 g of sodium hydrosulfite were gradually added to the solution such that the temperature would not exceed 80°C. This mixture was then stirred for 30 minutes. The resulting mixture was then filtered and dried to yield 2.4 g, U.V.  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$ : pH 11. 285 n.m., pH 1.7 285 n.m.  $R_f$ : Solvent A, 65 and Solvent C, .07

Reaction of 1-5(5-diazo-6-uracilyl)-2-phenylethene with n-dibutylamine (Q-79)

1-(5-diazo-6-uracilyl)-2-phenylethene (3 g) was added to 50 ml of methanol and stirred for five (5) minutes. n-Dibutylamine (5 g) was then added. The mixture was allowed to stir for 1 hour. The mixture was filtered and washed with H<sub>2</sub>O. It was then suspended in water and neutralized with glacial acetic acid. It was again filtered and washed with water to yield 3.5 g U. V.  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$ : pH 1.7 230 n.m., pH 1.7, 220, 248 (s), 300 n.m.



(50) ml of methanol. This mixture stirred for five minutes, then n-butylamine (5 g) was added. The mixture was allowed to stir for 12 hours. After stirring it was filtered and washed with water. The product was suspended in H<sub>2</sub>O and then carefully neutralized with glacial acetic acid. It was again filtered and washed with water to yield 1.1 g. U.V.  $\lambda$  max: pH 1.7, 248, 310 n.m.; pH 11, 307 n.m.

Reaction of 1-(5-diazo-6-uracilyl)-2-phenylethene with benzenethiol (Q-77)

1-(5-diazouracilyl)-2-phenylethene (3 g) was added to fifty (50) ml of methanol. This mixture stirred for five (5) minutes, afterwards benzenethiol (5 g) was added and the mixture was allowed to continue stirring for 12 hours then filtered and washed with excess water. U.V.  $\lambda$  max: pH 11 220, 306 n.m.; pH 1.7, 220, 306 n.m.; R<sub>F</sub>; Solvent A, .6 1, and Solvent C, .7 6.

Reaction of 1-(5-Diazo-6-uracilyl)-2-phenylethene with ethonethiol (J-123)

1-(5-diazo-6-uracilyl)-2-phenylethene (Q-76) (1.5 g) was added to 50 ml of methanol and the mixture was stirred 5 minutes. Ethanethiol (3.0 g) was then added to the mixture and stirring was continued for 30 minutes. The suspension was then heated to 60-65° for 30 minutes, then cooled to room temperature (60-61) and was then filtered, washed with a small amount of methanol and allowed to dry to air to yield 0.5 g of product. The filtrate was evaporated to near dryness and provided 0.8 g crude product,  $\lambda$  max: pH 1.7, 302; pH 11 302.

Reaction of 1-(5-diazo-6-uracilyl)-2-phenylethene with appropriate amines

1-(5-diazo-6-uracilyl)-2-phenylethene (3 g) was added to 50 ml of water. The mixture was allowed to stir five minutes.

The appropriate amine (5 g) was added and the mixture was allowed to stir for 3 hours. The mixture was then heated for 30 minutes, cooled to room temperature and neutralized to pH 5 with glacial acetic acid. The product was then filtered, washed with water, then methanol and finally dried to air.

	R*	R	max: pH 1.7	pH 11
Q-80	$\text{OCH}_2$	H	252 302	257 297
Q-81	$\text{HO-CH}_2\text{CH}_2-$	$\text{HO-CH}_2\text{CH}_2-$	315	315
Q-82	$\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2$	H	310	252 290
Q-83	$\text{CH}_3(\text{OH}_2)_5$	H	250 307	248 317

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Solvent Systems:

- A: 5N Acetic Acid/t-Butanol (7/3)
- B: 5N Ammonium Hydroxide/t-Butanol (/3)
- C: 5% Sodium Bicarbonate

All melting points were determined on a Fisher John Melting Apparatus and are uncorrect.